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LOWELL MASS. WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 24 1913

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# Critical Labor War

## DIG FIREMEN OUT OF RUINS

Five Buried When Burning Floors  
Collapsed—5 and 10 Cent Store  
Wiped Out—Loss \$100,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Five firemen were seriously injured in an early morning fire which burned out a five and ten cent store with a loss of \$100,000, fully insured, and threatened an entire block in the downtown business section. The firemen were buried in the wreckage when burning floors collapsed but were rescued by their comrades after four of them had been given up for lost.

## CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE

Business Suspended but Post-office Will be Open From 8.30 Till 10.30—The Institutions

The Christmas festival will be observed in Lowell tomorrow by the closing of all industries and mills, as well as the places of business. This feast is more a church celebration, but nevertheless, the legislators of years ago deemed it advisable to enact a law making this day a legal holiday in order to give the people a better chance to observe the day in a suitable manner.

The cotton mills and other industries of this city close this evening to resume operations Friday morning, with the exception of the local plants of the Saco-Lowell shops, which will remain open until Monday morning. The stores will all close and the postoffice will remain open from 8.30 to 10.30 a. m. The carriers will make a trip in the forenoon, while those in the parcel post department will be busy all forenoon.

**Lowell Jail.**  
The inmates of the Lowell jail will be given a real treat tomorrow, for exactly the same program which was received with so much favor on Thanksgiving day will be repeated tomorrow. There will be no special service in the forenoon, but at noon a real nice roast pork dinner will be served, including pie and other delicacies, and in the afternoon the prisoners will be given full liberty to amuse themselves from the hours of 1 to 4.

**Ayer Home.**  
At the Ayer home in Pawtucket

## Christmas Dinner and Dys-pep-lets

You may eat turkey dressing, plum pudding, mince pie, nuts and raisins, and other indigestibles, so-called, and not experience any distress or discomfort, even if your stomach is weak, if you take Dys-pep-lets.

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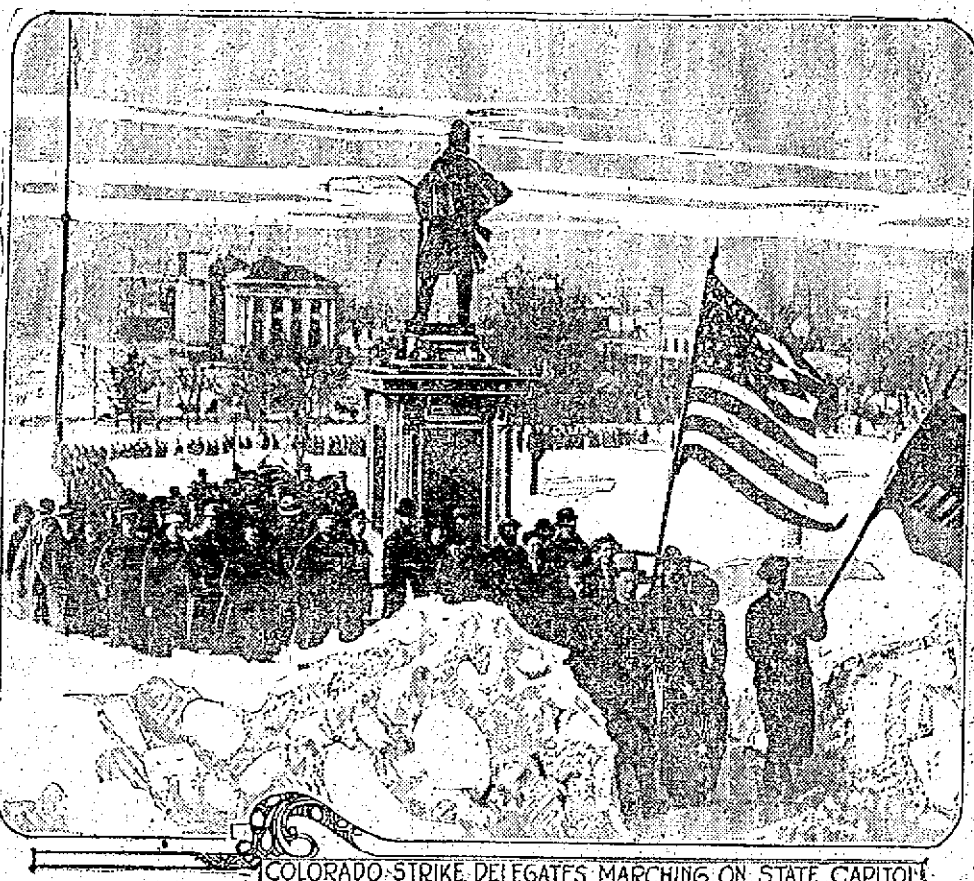
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STEAMSHIP AGENCY

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COLORADO STRIKE DELEGATES MARCHING ON STATE CAPITOL

## STRIKERS PROTEST AGAINST TROOPS

DENVER, Dec. 24.—This state is in the throes of a critical labor war. The appeal of the union delegates who marched upon the capitol and demanded that Governor Ammons withdraw the state troops from the mine districts yielded of any really good results. In the wake of Mother Jones, the famous labor leader, who recently was under arrest for her activities in West Virginia mine troubles, the labor delegates, 500 strong, marched through the huge drifts left by the early winter blizzard to the statehouse. They carried a United States flag and a union flag, with Ludlow, the name of the strikers' camp in the mining district, upon it. There are now on strike in the southern Colorado coal fields 14,000 union miners, who went out Sept. 23. The mines are being run under martial law, with 1,200 state troops on guard. Ten men had been killed in the fights between the strikers and the mine guards before Governor Ammons put the fields under martial law.

## DRANK ALCOHOL POPE SENDS GREETINGS

Man From N. H. Arrested—Drunk Made Trouble at Depot

William Walker, a parole man from the New Hampshire state prison, was arrested by Officers Kennedy and Connelley yesterday afternoon for drunkenness. He told the officers he had been drinking alcohol. Supt. Welch brought out the fact that Walker was arrested a few weeks ago in Lawrence. The defendant pleaded with the court for a fine instead of imprisonment and Judge Enright allowed him to spend Christmas in the open. He was fined \$6 and given a month to pay it.

James P. Magnon also received the benefit of Judge Enright's lenient spirit. It was his third appearance but the court allowed him to go after he had promised to pay a fine of \$15.

Mary Dooley was sent to jail for one month for drunkenness and her husband was sent to the state farm. Both are old offenders.

**Face Smashed**  
Patrick Scully did not expect to be arrested last night when Officers John H. Clark and Dwyer told him to come along to the box. Scully decided that he could handle both officers but from the appearance of his face this morning he made a very grave mistake.

Scully made trouble up around the depot before the officers arrested him. He attempted to shove a bell boy of one of the hotels down a flight of stairs and raised a rumpus in two of the Middlesex street restaurants. Judge Enright sent Scully to jail for thirty days.

**\$3,000,000 FOR SUBWAYS**  
BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The new Boston street and old Tremont street subways will be connected by July 1 next, according to the 14th annual report of the Boston Transit commission issued yesterday. The commission is to ask the incoming legislature for provision with which to complete the three underground passages now being made.

It says that the cost of altering and building the completed and unfinished subways of the city for the year ending June 30 last was \$3,000,000.

## FIRST EDITION

FOR LATER LOCAL AND TELEGRAPH NEWS AND TODAY'S STOCK MARKET REPORT SEE LATER EDITIONS.

## ROB ROOSTS AND COOPS

Thief Makes a Clean Sweep in Rosemont Terrace—Restaurant Broken Into

A man living in Rosemont Terrace, Pawtucketville, called at police station this morning and reported the loss of 125 hens and 20 pigeons. He said that a combination hen-and-pigeon thief had entered his henry and pigeon coops during the night and had made an almost clean sweep of fancy fowl and pigeons. It was suggested that perhaps the fellow was stocking up for Christmas and the man allowed if that were so the thief must run some big establishment. He thought that perhaps the hens, chickens and pigeons were taken away in an automobile as there were fresh marks made by an automobile in the street near the premises.

It was also reported at police headquarters this morning that a Gorham street restaurant had been broken into during the night and that the thieves got away with considerable money.

It was stated at the police station that no small number of reports had reached the station within the last few days relative to the nefarious work of sneak thieves and it was further stated that three young men were under suspicion.

## TO ORGANIZE FIREMEN CURRENCY BILL NOW LAW

CLEVELAND OF EAST BRIDGE-WATER WANTS VOLUNTEERS FORMED INTO COMPANIES

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A resolve to organize all volunteer fire departments into companies has been filed by Representative Cleveland of East Bridge-water.

It provides that every volunteer department shall be organized into companies and the number of men in a company shall not exceed 75 men for each suction engine, 35 for each chemical engine, 25 for each hose wagon, 25 for each hook and ladder truck, and 10 additional for officers, clerks, etc. New companies shall be authorized by the mayor of a city, or a vote taken at a town meeting. The officers of a company shall be a captain, a first lieutenant, and a second lieutenant, and shall be elected by the members of the company for a term of one year.

Each volunteer department shall be under the direction of a fire chief, first assistant chief, and second assistant chief, who shall be elected by the officers of all companies in the department, for a term of three years, and no one shall be eligible for these offices unless they have served at least three years on a fire department.

Mittner's latest Associate, tonight.

## SANTA CLAUS DEAD

MAN WHO IGNORED DOCTOR'S ORDER TO STAY IN BED, DIED HELPING POOR

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 24.—Little Wilbur Harris, eight years old, son of a poor mother, will have his Santa Claus Christmas, but W. S. Henn, a philanthropist who came to Denver from Paterson, N. J., because he was dying of tuberculosis and who made possible the salvation of the Christmas myth for little Wilbur, is dead.

His death came yesterday because he ignored his physician's order to remain in bed and walked several blocks through deep snow in the impoverished section of the city. He carried a sled, train of cars, clothes, rubbers, candy and many other presents for the destitute Harris family.

To Henn had come word, through his interest in a local legion of "good fellows" that Mrs. Harris had in desperation told her little boy there was no Santa Claus.

Henn enacted the role of Santa Claus and died.

Everybody to Associate, tonight.

The Lowell lodge of Elks is ever there with the helping hand. The Elks do not boast of their charity, but they keep the good work going all the time. Today and tomorrow they will send out Christmas dinner baskets, the lodge having raised \$200 for that purpose.

Mrs. Arthur Beaucage and her four children, formerly of this city and now of Salem, are the guests of relatives.

# ONLY A DAY

Left for those who have gifts to select.

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# SEC'Y LANE'S REPLY TAGG'S PLACE

63 KIRK STREET

## Outlines Policy for Development of National Resources—Not a Single Recommendation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—With bold strokes Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, yesterday outlined, in his annual report to the president, a broad policy in the conservation of the vast natural resources of the United States which yet lie within the regulatory powers of the government and pointed out the important results that may be achieved through the development of these resources under proper supervision.

Comparatively, the report is brief. It likewise is wholly unique, in that it contains not a single recommendation. Suggestions for action, which Secretary Lane observes emphatically, are numerous, but he prefers to propose general policies to the making of that recommendations.

Two notable and interesting predictions are indicated rather than made in the report. One is that the time is not far distant when coal of the low-grade "bituminous" storage or transportation will be converted into electricity at the mouth of the mines and widely distributed for heating, light and power; the other, that the electric force now wasting itself in the rivers of the country will be so controlled by dams as to provide light and power to the people and that the people will be so active in the use of public ownership of hydro-electric power plants as they are today to municipally owned water works.

In the opening lines of the report, Secretary Lane takes up a serious situation which obtains in a great section of the country. "There exists a feeling in the west," says he, "that its affairs and needs have not been given that consideration at the hands of the national government which they merit. This feeling is not confined to speculators or exploiters. It is the sentiment of many who are without selfish motives and regard the matter wholly from the standpoint of national growth."

New Lane Policy

"There is one very simple explanation for the existence of this feeling."

We have advanced upon a new policy of administering our affairs and have not developed adequate machinery. We have called a halt on methods of spoliation which existed, to the great benefit of many, but we have failed to substitute methods, sane, healthful and progressive, by which the normal enterprise of an ambitious people can make full use of their own resources. We abruptly closed opportunities to the monopolist, but did not open them to the developer."

The land policy put into force, he says, "caused dismay and discontent." The congress had been most generous in its disposition of the public lands. They were given to the railroads and to the states. To classify them was too difficult a task. They would classify themselves when they arrived in individual ownership. And so the door was opened for monopoly and for fraud."

If the government did not appreciate the insalubrious nature of its assets there were men who did. The nation wanted home makers, but found its lands drifting into the hands of corporations which were withdrawing them from the market. A reaction was inevitable. If lands were to be withdrawn from public service, why might not the government do the withdrawing itself?"

A new policy was evolved, the secretary pointed out that of using the land for the purpose to which it is best fitted. "To this policy," he says, "I believe the west is now reconciled. The west no longer views a return to the hazards of the 'land is land' policy. But it does ask action. Already the field of a single company, individual fortunes have been made in that country larger than the price paid to Russia for the whole territory. It has been estimated that there are 60,000,000 acres of this land that will make homes for a people as sturdy as those of New England. Whether this is so or not, it would appear that Alaska can be made self-sustaining agriculturally."

"This vast and unsurpassed asset lies almost undeveloped. A territory one-fifth the size of the United States contains less than a thousand miles of anything that can be called a wagon road."

This "unfortunate condition" in Secretary Lane's judgment, is not due to "the inhospitability of the Alaskan climate," because "some of southeastern Alaska has a climate more temperate and more equable than that of the city of Washington, while much of the greater portion of the north has a kinder climate than Stockholm or St. Petersburg." There is more railroad building 500 miles north of the Canadian border than there is for the same distance south of it.

Well Worth Developing

"Why has not this land been developed? The frank answer is that we did not realize until within a few years that it was worth developing. As soon as we discovered its value as a national asset we became alarmed and drew back, frightened at the thought that we might lose it, or at least that it would become the property of those who would exploit it without respect to the public interest."

"We have withdrawn Alaska from the too aggressive and self-serving exploiters. What have we to substitute as a safer servant of public interest?"

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## Christmas Dinner

FIFTY CENTS

MENU

Lettuce Celery Cucumbers

SOUP

Cream of Celery

FISH

Baked Fresh Salmon, June, Pens

ROAST

Young Vermont Turkey, Dressing,

Dried Cranberry Sauce,

Roast Slices of Beef, Brown Gravy

Young Spring Lamb, Dressing,

Mint Sauce

ENTREE

Asparagus on Toast

VEGETABLES

Baked Onions, Green Peas

DESSERT

Apple, Mince, Whipped Cream Pie

Frozen Pudding, White Jelly, Whipped Cream

Fruit, Nuts and Raisins

To this question, I have given much thought, and my conclusion is that if we are to bring Alaska into the early and full realization of her possibilities we must create a new piece of government machinery for the purpose. We should undertake the work in the spirit and after the method of a great corporation wishing to develop a large territory. In my judgment the way to deal with the problem of Alaskan resources is to establish a board of directors to have this work in charge, into the hands of this board an admission I would give all the national assets in that territory, to be used primarily for her improvement—her lands, fisheries, Indians, Eskimos, seals, forests, mines, waterways, railroads—all that the nation owns, cares for, controls, or regulates. Congress should determine in broad outline the policies which this board in a liberal discretion should elaborate and administer, much as is done as to the Philippines. This board would of course have nothing whatsoever to do with the interior affairs of the organized territory of Alaska, for it would exercise its powers save such as congress granted over the property of the United States in Alaska."

In concluding his reasons for the creation of such conservation machinery for Alaska, Secretary Lane says: "It is not to be understood that the administrative machinery that would most surely lead to a prompt and continuous development of Alaska as a part of the United States upon a plane commensurate with her possibilities industrially, agriculturally and socially."

Railroads for Alaska

"Alaska should not, in my judgment, be regarded as a mere storehouse of resources upon which the people of the states may draw. She has the potentialities of a state. And whatever policy may be adopted should look toward an Alaska of homes, of industries, and of an extended commerce."

"Strongly as I would urge this method of management—for it offers a rare opportunity to exhibit the efficiency of a republic—I would not have Alaska wait for needed legislation until the merits of such a plan could be passed upon by congress. Those things which appeal to me as of immediate necessity upon which independent action may be taken are (1) the construction of railroads in the territory and (2) the opening of her coal lands."

Secretary Lane expresses the opinion that privately owned railroads would not be constructed in Alaska for many years, except as adjuncts to private enterprises. He regards it wise, therefore, for the government to undertake their building.

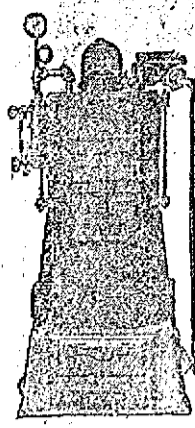
"The rates and service of such railroads should be fixed with reference to Alaskan development, not with regard to immediate returns. The charges fixed should be lower for years to come than would justify private investment. Alaskan railroads are to be built, he says, to "create a commonwealth. If this is our task, it should be done wholeheartedly and with a consciousness that the dollar spent to-day on an Alaskan railroad will yield no more immediate return on the investment than the dollar spent on the Panama canal."

Such railroads as may be constructed by individuals as feeders or tap lines of the government roads should be "under governmental supervision, capitalized and operated under the strictest regulation and be at any time subject to purchase by the government."

Should Open Coal Fields

Discussing the coal resources of Alaska, Secretary Lane declares the fields "should be opened not to speculators, but to operators. There should have these lands who will use them. None should be opened as a basis for a speculative future value." In his judgment they may be turned over safely to the public "under a leasing and royalty system similar to that under which the state of Minnesota leases its ore lands and the states of Montana and Colorado their coal lands. He adds that the money received might be used in the development of the country and that a large body of coal land in each field be reserved for the navy in time of need."

Vigorous suggestions looking to the conservative development of the coal lands of the west are made by Secretary Lane. "It is certainly not for the public interest," the report says, "that one coal deposits shall be opened rapidly and ruthlessly, cannot feel, however, that we should sacrifice our present need for fuel or willingly surrender ourselves to a demand for exorbitant prices because of a fear that some day the coal supply may be exhausted. Already there has been developed a substitute for coal in the flowing stream. The turbine converts melted snow into heat and light, which can be distributed over a constantly widening area. I think we have now arrived at that point in scientific achievement which justifies the belief that the wheels of industry will not cease, nor our homes go unlighted by unheeded so long as dams may be built upon our



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streams. Water will be, indeed already is, the greatest conservator of coal. We must seek to make use of our coal, the fullest use that society requires. This principle seems a truism. But here lies the difficulty. We wish cheap coal and at the same time a minimum of waste. We wish society to take the lion's share of the profit and yield no more to the operator than will make his work sufficiently attractive to keep him in it. In short, we desire competition without waste, a frank impossibility."

"Other countries have wrestled with this problem. Some have gone into government operation. But those who are nearest to us in institutions and tendencies have found that in a new country where there must be large development and higher rewards for enterprise, the safest practicable method is to lease the land, the government taking a modest royalty and retaining some measure of control over operation."

Substitute Oil for Coal

Similar suggestions are offered as to the development of petroleum, phosphate and potash. Secretary Lane's idea is that such deposits ought to be developed under the leasing system, as in the case of coal, the government reserving necessary supplies.

As to oil he says: "We should, I believe, stimulate the search for oil and protect the prospector. I feel that we are not sufficiently rewarding the pioneer. A plan could readily be evolved by which any one wishing to prospect for oil on the public lands could obtain a license from the government exclusively to prospect a large tract of land for a period of time—perhaps two years—and in the event that oil is found in commercial quantities the government should be paid a royalty fixed in advance."

"The United States will need oil for its navy as well as coal, and probably in increasing quantities as the modern oil burning or gas burning engines are recognized. It would be economical to substitute oil for coal in many instances to reduce labor cost, to avoid the building and maintenance of colliers, and the purchase and support of coaling stations. England's adventure in this direction will presumably force other nations into like enterprise, and yet England has no oil fields on which to draw, while we have already the largest producing fuel oil fields in the world, and others are appearing. Under these conditions it would seem of the highest expediency that the government make such offers as will induce the proving of our lands, and of these proved lands retain sufficient to make our ships independent of the world and as fully competent as their rivals."

Disatisfied With Law

Secretary Lane expresses frankly his dissatisfaction with the operation of the homestead law as to the timber lands. He says the "homesteader, after getting patent to the land, promptly sells it for \$10,000 or \$20,000 to some lumber company, without making an effort to comply with the spirit of the law. Thus, the government 'loses the timber and the land and does not gain a real home maker. Such homesteaders add nothing to the wealth of the nation. The law should punish them in fact as well as in theory. A remedy for this condition of things, and it lies in the selling of the land and the timber separately."

Much attention is devoted in the report to the consideration of the reclamation of arid lands. Discussion of the subject is replete with interest to the farmers who locate on the various projects. Secretary Lane suggests that they be given a longer time than ten years in which to pay for their lands, because "they are genuine pioneers in a new field of work on the success of which depends greatly the rearing of a vast territory. Of these reclamation projects, Secretary Lane says:

"The west can use profitably and wisely \$100,000,000 in the next 10 years to the advantage of the whole country. If the government will place upon a leasing basis these

western resources with which we have been dealing, it can have an increased fund for the continuance of this work and an increased assurance of the return of its advances."

In conclusion, Secretary Lane directs attention to the enormous details, all important, which the interior department administers, including care of the Indians and Eskimos, administration of national parks, payment of pensions, supervision of public lands, territories and many other important works.

STUDENTS HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A special train reached the city this morning with hundreds of Smith college girls who were hurrying to their homes in every part of the country for Christmas holidays. The girls were beaming with happiness and all seemed to have waiting groups of relatives and friends.

A little later 300 boys from Exeter arrived and like the Smith girls they found their friends and parents waiting at the station.

PRaises PRES. WILSON

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The Home Market club, the official exponent of standard republican principles, almost unanimously endorsed the democratic administration yesterday.

As it was the club officially congratulated President Wilson on being alive to the dangers confronting American business and congratulated the administration that it was giving heed to the danger signals of the business world.

AUTO WAR IN NANTUCKET

NANTUCKET, Dec. 21.—Another stage of Nantucket's auto war was reached today in the conviction of Clinton Bolger for second and third offenses in violation of the automobile exclusion order of the selectmen. Bolger was fined \$60 for one offense and appealed. The other was placed on file.

## SUSPECT PRINDLE

Think He is Responsible for Breaks at Newburyport

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 24.—A similarity in the methods used by burglars who ransacked the house of Mrs. Kath-

erine Tingley on High street city, last spring, and those said to have been used by James W. Prindle arrested in Somerville for alleged burglaries, has started local police chiefs to conduct an investigation to determine whether or not the Somerville suspect is guilty of the local break-ins. Tingley house, which the burglar slipped open in evident quest of hidden valuables, and the tearing apart of whose panels point to the work of a professional burglar. Prindle may have paid this city a visit and knows something about the ransacking of one of the most famous colonial houses in the country.

## Men Fight On Their Stomachs

Napoleon so said. A man with a weak stomach is pretty sure to be a poor fighter. It is difficult—almost impossible—for anyone, man or woman, if digestion is poor, to succeed in business or socially—or to enjoy life. In tablet or liquid form.

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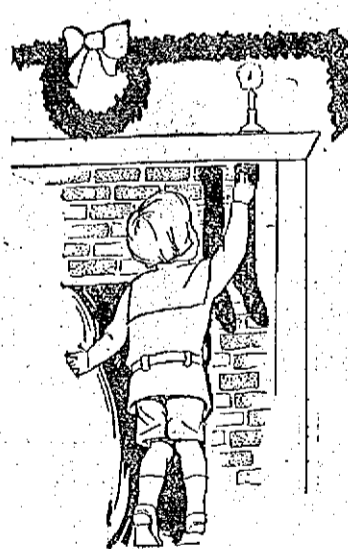
This vegetable remedy, to a great extent, puts the liver into activity—oil the machinery of the human system so that those who spend their working hours at the desk, behind the counter, or in the home are rejuvenated into vigorous health.

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Easier shopping here these last few hours than elsewhere. More economical too, for in a number of sections there are already price concessions that interest. Open late tonight.

## Specials From the Underprice Basement

\$2.50 Bathrobe Blanket at \$1.79

60 Bath Robe Blankets, handsome patterns in all new coloring, full size, reversible, with cords and tassels to match, \$2.50 value, at \$1.79 Each

Palmer Street

Boys' and Girls' Black Rubber Coats at \$2.29

Boys' and Girls' Black Rubber Coats, size 2 to 12 years, made of good black rubber cloth, cemented seams and arctic fastener, at \$2.29 Each

Palmer Street

Ladies' and Misses' Raincoats at \$2.50

Ladies' and Misses' Raincoats, made of double texture cloth, tan color, \$4.00 garment, at \$2.50

Merrimack Street

Boys' Raincoats at \$2.50 Each

Boys' Raincoats, made of double texture cloth, cashmere surface with plaid lining, \$5.00 garment, at \$2.50 Each

Palmer Street

Men's Raincoats

Men's Raincoats, made of double texture cloth, cashmere, poplin, homespun, plaid and silk lined, \$3.00 to \$12.50

Palmer Street

Children's Bathrobes at 79c

200 Children's Bathrobes, made of heavy blanketing with cords and tassels to match, at 79c Each

Merrimack Street

Ladies' Silk Skirts at \$1.50

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Merrimack Street

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## Stock Market Closing Prices, Dec. 23rd

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If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column

Miss Emerson testified that she had not deliberately struck the policeman and smashed his helmet, although she said she might have done so accidentally.

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## OVERCOME SHOPPING CHINESE LABOR

REV. DR. WHITLOCK, AGED 70,  
FATHER OF MAYOR OF TOLEDO,  
DIED AT CLEVELAND TODAY

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 23.—The Rev. Dr. Elias Whitlock, 70 years old, of Toledo, father of Mayor Brand Whitlock of Toledo and a retired Methodist clergyman, died here today. He was overcome Saturday while doing Christmas shopping with his son, William C. Whitlock of this city, with whom he expected to spend the holidays. Mayor Whitlock was with him when the end came and it was during the death watch that the mayor received word of the senate's confirmation last night of his appointment as minister of Belgium.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

41 White Seamen Dis-  
missed and Chinamen  
Substituted

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 23.—Forty-one white seamen aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia were dismissed yesterday and Chinese labor was substituted.

In accordance with marine regulations the company will pay the passages home to Liverpool of all members of the crew who were recruited there. The intermediate steamers of the line previously substituted Chinese for white seamen.

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Lace collars and cuffs, fancy jabots and bows.  
Clifton scarfs and ties, tea aprons.

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A large selection of White Batiste Waists in  
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TRIMMED HATS, formerly valued to \$10.95.  
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SPECIAL BEAVERS \$1.98

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Wallham movements, in cases guaranteed for 20  
years, 9 jewel, 15 jewel and 17 jewel movements,  
with both the manufacturer's and our guarantee to  
go with them.

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## HONOR SENATOR SIMMONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Senator  
Simmons of North Carolina, who suc-  
cessfully piloted the democratic tariff  
bill through the senate, will be pre-  
sented this week with an autographed  
and handsomely bound copy of the  
new tariff law. The bill contains au-  
tographed notes of appreciation from  
President Wilson, Vice-President Mar-  
shall and several senators, in addition  
to the autographed signatures of all  
members of the senate.

## SHIP THROUGH CANAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Panama ad-  
vises received here today state that  
consideration has been quickly given to  
a proposition to put the United States  
ship Buffalo or some other government  
vessel through the Panama canal on  
Wednesday as Col. Goethals' Christmas  
gift to the American people.

## TWO DROWNED

PETERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 23.—  
Joseph Kennedy of Albany, N. Y., and  
C. A. McLaughlin of Lynchburg, Va.,  
were drowned in the Appomattox riv-  
er here last night and H. W. Helden  
of White Plains, N. Y., had a narrow  
escape. The men were standing on  
the wharf when McLaughlin stumbled  
and fell into the water. In trying to  
rescue him Kennedy and Helden were  
thrown into the water. The bodies  
were recovered.

## STORM WARNING

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The local  
weather bureau today received the fol-  
lowing special from Washington:  
"Severe storm warning ordered  
displayed at 10.30 a. m. from Cape  
Henry to Boston. Disturbance over  
Ohio valley moving eastward; will  
cause increasing easterly winds this  
afternoon and tonight, shifting to  
northwest Wednesday with rain and  
fog."

## DENY REPORT FROM PANAMA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Officials of  
the Isthmian canal commission have  
not heard of a plan to put a ship  
through the Panama canal as a Christ-  
mas gift to the American people. Pri-  
vate advices from Panama reported  
such a plan was quietly being con-  
sidered by Colonel Goethals. Latest  
reports to headquarters here do not in-  
dicate that the latest Cuenca slide  
has been sufficiently removed to per-  
mit a ship to pass.



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livered up to mid-night Wednes-  
day. Three teams and one auto,  
but many orders piled ahead, so  
get your order in as early as  
possible to avoid going over same  
route twice.

## MISS WILSON TO HELP POOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Liberal  
donations to the "opportunities" of the  
Associated Charities have been made  
by Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of  
the president and chairman of the lo-  
cal branch of the Society for the Pre-  
vention of Useless Giving, according to  
an announcement made at the Spugs'  
headquarters. Miss Wilson keeps in  
close touch with the headquarters and  
is taking an active interest in the  
movement to care for the city's poor  
during Christmas.  
Mrs. Wilson also is evincing a lively  
interest in the work.

## POOL TABLES FOR SCHOOLS

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—A resolution  
providing for the installation in school  
basements of bowling alters and pool  
and billiard rooms will be introduced  
before the new Cleveland board of ed-  
ucation at an early meeting. Mrs. Ar-  
nold Green, a board member, has an-  
nounced that she will be sponsor for  
the resolution.  
Mrs. Green will also set afoot the  
proper formalities for having school  
buildings used as social centers at  
night. A portion of the school report  
showing that some 13,000 Cleveland  
parents made visits to the schools dur-  
ing 1913 is evidence, she says, that  
parents will be sufficiently interested  
to make the social centre plan work  
successfully.

## HARVARD AND PRINCETON

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Harvard and  
Princeton, victors respectively over  
Columbia and Yale in the opening  
games yesterday, met today in the se-  
cond round of the twenty second an-  
nual intercollegiate chess tournament.  
Columbia was opposed by Yale.

## INDICATES COLLAPSE

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Daily News  
in an editorial on the Mexican situa-  
tion, considers the suspension of cash  
payments by the banks as indicative  
of the approaching collapse of the  
thruer regime and gives credit to  
President Wilson's "steadfast policy  
for preventing Mexico from falling  
under the heel of another dangerous  
military despotism."

## \$250,000 FOR STEAMBOATS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—An ap-  
propriation of \$250,000 for the equip-  
ment of three light draft river steamboats,  
together with additional motor boats  
to patrol the Mississippi and Ohio riv-  
ers and their tributaries in flood time  
to save life and property would be  
provided by a bill introduced today by  
Rep. Goodwin of Arkansas.

## CLEMENTS REAPPOINTED TO BUILD RAILROADS

## AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION

OF TWO RAILROADS IN CHINA BY  
GERMAN ENGINEERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Judson C.  
Clements of Georgia was reappointed  
by President Wilson a member of the  
interstate commerce commission and  
his domination was hurried to the sen-  
ate.

## CATTLE PERISHED IN FIRE

ELLSWORTH, Me., Dec. 23.—Twenty  
head of blooded cattle were lost when  
the barn of Dr. C. C. Morrison, a  
prominent resident of Bar Harbor, was  
burned last night at Mariaville with  
all its contents. The loss was placed  
at \$7,500. The insurance was small.

## RECORD BUTTER PRODUCTION

NEWARK, Del., Dec. 23.—What is  
claimed to be a record production of  
butter on the Delmarva peninsula has  
been made by "Maud, the Lass," a  
registered Holstein cow at the Dela-  
ware college experiment farm. Al-  
though in milk for nearly ten months,  
the record of this cow last week was  
13 pounds of butter fat, equivalent to  
a little more than 14 pounds of butter.  
In nine months the cow has produced  
16,139 pounds of milk and 663 pounds  
of butter.

## STEAMERS TO ARRIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Arriving:  
Steamers Chicago, Hayre, Cear, Libau;  
Unitas.  
Cape Race, Dec. 23.—Steamer Phila-  
delphia, Southampton for New York,  
110 miles east of Sandy Hook at 10.50  
p. m. 23. Dock 3.30 a. m. Saturday.  
Steamer La Savole, Havre for New  
York 1370 miles east of Sandy Hook at  
10.50 p. m. 23. Dock 3.30 a. m. Sat-  
urday.

## BERLIN, Dec. 23.—An agreement for

the construction of two railroads in  
China by German engineers who are  
to utilize purely German materials,  
capital for which is to be provided by  
German financiers, was signed today by  
the Chinese foreign minister and the  
German minister to China at Peking.  
The first line is to run from Kaomi,  
near Kiachow, on the Shantung railroad,  
southward to Hanchwang, where the  
Tien Tsin Puko railroad crosses the  
Grand canal.  
The second line is to extend to the  
Shantung railroad from its terminus at  
Tsinan to Shunche on the Hunhow  
river.  
The cost of the two undertakings is  
estimated at from \$17,500,000 to \$20-  
000,000.

## CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Fresh pastry 6 pieces to a box, 25c  
Fruit cakes and new layer cakes  
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Native roast chicken, home made  
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Cranberries, qt. .... 7c  
Apples, pk. .... 30c  
Flynn's Farm Roast Chickens, fresh killed... 25c  
Western Turkeys, fat and plump..... 22c  
Vermont Geese ..... 20c  
Roast Spring Chicken..... 20c to 22c  
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Don't spoil your Christmas dinner with a cheap, discolored,  
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6 Ivory Soap for... 25c  
6 Fairy Soap for... 25c  
6 Fels' Naphtha Soap for 25c  
6 P. & G. Soap for... 25c  
6 Packages Soapine... 25c  
Best Flour, bag... 70c  
Sugar, lb. .... 5c  
Can Peas ..... 10c  
Can Corn ..... 10c  
Can Tomatoes ..... 10c  
Citron ..... 18c  
Orange Peel ..... 18c  
Walnuts ..... 20c  
Dates ..... 10c  
Heinze Mince, lb. .... 20c  
Jams ..... 10c  
Jellies ..... 10c  
Pickles ..... 10c  
Chows ..... 10c  
Relishes and  
Table Sauces of  
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## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

In the noble gallery of "In Memoriam" Tennyson has placed no more beautiful picture than his exquisite impression of Christmas:

"The time draws near the birth of Christ,  
The moon is hid, the night is chill;  
The Christmas bells from hill to hill  
Answer each other in the mist."

Year after year this olden holiday, the foundation of which goes back to the dawn of Christianity, calls to the surface feelings of joy and happiness that are the foundation of all family relations, all loyalty to just government, all religious aspiration. The Christmas bells ring out their peals of exultant joy and as they answer each other over the hills of the world the joyous voices of the peoples of the nations blend with them in messages of Christmas hope and love and cheer. As once on the hills of Bethlehem the glory of heaven shone around some poor shepherds who were watching their flocks and the angels of God sent them to a lowly stable where a baby lay who should hold the world in thrall by chains of love, so again once a year a sudden heavenly light and harmony transforms all things earthly and with the faith of the shepherds of Judea we go over in spirit to Bethlehem and become, as little children before a scene that poets have sung in songs of ecstasy and master artists have painted, but which still stands unrivaled in the sublimity of its blissful simplicity.

Christmas time is a time of joyous merriment and in its annual celebration down the centuries the hearts of mankind have sought means to give external expression to the happiness that welled up within. Pagan usages and customs were adopted to Christian ritual. The mystic mistletoe that the druid priests cut in the starlight with their gleaming sickles took on a yuletide significance; the cheery warmth of the blazing fire was consecrated to the time by the Christmas log; music flowered out in tinkling Christmas carols; Nature gave its holly and ivy in vivid scarlet and green. Formerly melted before the warmth of the time and there was plenty and good cheer in the Christmas home before the casual visitor. The very cheerfulness of the winter time added greater zest to the family observance, and the colder the winds blew or the heavier the snows fell, the more cheery was the circle grouped around the fireside. Scott crystallizes this joyous spirit in three beautiful lines:

"Heap on more wood! the wind is chill,  
But let it whistle as it will,  
We'll keep our Christmas merry still."

Christmas is one of the holidays that has stood out most bravely against time, the inconceivable. True, it no longer extends in its observance well into the new year as it did in the old days of childish faith, but though modified, all its observances still have a place in our civilization. Old Scrooge and a few of his relatives are among us yet, but practically all people are touched by the witchery of the time. The sober bank president whose face has all the mysterious stolidity of his ledger on work days will carry home a rocking horse of immense proportions and submit to being jostled unmercifully by the driver of a coal team who has a train of cars and four other bundles. Fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, husbands, wives and sweethearts wear mysterious expressions for weeks and on Christmas day their reserve is explained by the gifts that spring out of carefully-planned hiding places. Older folks that have for days told wide-eyed wonderers of the generosity of Santa Claus find themselves all at once believing in the traditional benefactor.

Peace and good will to mankind were the gifts of the angels on the hills of Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago, and peace and good will are the qualities most needed in the world of today. This year the volleys of war and the resounding cannon will not drown out the Christmas chiming and there may be time for the nations to ponder the lessons of international peace. In a smaller sense we can all practice good will. If we do so our Christmas will be merry, for to practice good will is to become good and "the good are always the merry." Let us then put a few last touches to the arrangement of our holly branches, get ready our gifts for the morrow, and prepare to say cheerily to all we meet: "Merry Christmas."

## THE PRESIDENT'S REPROOF

The sanest pronouncement on the episode of the Carabao club dinner that made President Wilson resign from the organization in protest is the recently published letter of the president to Secretaries Garrison and Daniels in which he requests the imposition of "a very serious reprimand" for the offenders, and gives his reasons for so requesting. The president was upheld in his action by the opinion of thoughtful people throughout the country, but quite a few pretended to see in it the leanings of the unduly solemn and the "amateur," wilfully blind to the fact that the president has always been immensely popular with

college and university students who are not usually attracted to things solemn, and that in his "amateur" way he has done more in Washington in one year than had been done for many years previously. As much of the criticism and burlesque of the dinner was aimed at the secretary of state it is to be expected that many would uphold the offending officers, for Secretary Bryan is more cordially hated and more persistently misrepresented than any other member of the administration.

The president's letter sets forth the offense so admirably and the features that made it especially odious, that comment is unnecessary. Here are the first few paragraphs which state the case in a nutshell and which cannot be easily paralleled by those superior beings who treat the administration so indulgently and patronizingly: "The officers who were responsible for the program of the evening are certainly deserving of a very serious reprimand, which I hereby request be administered; and I cannot rid myself of a feeling of great disappointment that the general body of officers assembled at the dinner should have greeted the carrying out of such a program with apparent indifference to the fact that it violated some of the most dignified and sacred traditions of the service."

"I am told that the songs and other amusements of the evening were intended and regarded as fun. What are we to think of officers of the army and navy of the United States who think it fun to bring their official superiors into ridicule and the policies of the government which they are sworn to serve with unquestioning loyalty, into contempt? If this is their idea of fun what is their idea of duty? If they do not hold their loyalty above all silly effervescences of childish wit, what about their profession? Do they hold it sacred?"

It is too bad that the censorship which the president legitimately holds over the "fun" of our army officers does not extend to some lines of private activity. No nation more keenly resents adverse criticism abroad than America and no nation invites such criticism by open irreverence at home towards what all other countries hold most sacred.

## A SONG SWINDLE

In occasional court revelations the nets of the swindler are drawn in and the public stands aghast at the multitude of the "suckers" that are caught by the different kinds of bait and the clever methods of their capture. One of the latest catches was exposed to view in New York recently when a swindler was sentenced for defrauding hundreds of aspiring poets and musicians throughout the country who had sent their compositions to the metropolitan fraud in expectation of reaping fame and fortune. The swindler who had advertised extensively and promised to work wonders had pocketed the sum enclosed with the manuscript, and that ended the transaction. If the finale of the swindle in the New York courts did not interfere with the progress of the muse throughout the country it ought to have convinced the dupes that they should not invest money in any venture without being convinced of its authenticity and honesty.

Since the pure food laws and other such regulations have come into being, the government is doing wonders in uncovering the wiles of the swindler, but it seems that there is always a harvest of dishonestly-gained dollars being reaped by the clever trickster. The "appet to song writers" game is not new and the most cursory examination of some magazines will reveal several kindred schemes to the wise. Some of the drink-cures and other nostrums that are so attractively pictured are meant to bring illegal gain to their promoters instead of benefiting humanity, and while we have gullible people who will believe all they read, we shall have victims of this variety of swindler. Besides the wrong these concerns do to their victims, there is also the wrong they do to legitimate business by the general distrust they create in the minds of those who discover the fraud. There is room for the strictest government regulation of publicly-advertised swindles, and the New York case proves that the authorities are awake to the danger they do. They ought to be stamped out mercilessly.

## DUE TO PARCEL POST

The spectacle of the express companies advertising for business and offering as an inducement that they guarantee to deliver goods safely is something new and is directly dueable to the quickening influence of the parcel post which has brought the express companies into competition with Uncle Sam. In the good old times when the companies had the field all

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to themselves there was little or no competition and the public had to accept the service given whether good or bad. The coming of the parcel post reduced the express rates and improved the service and with the development of the government idea, the advantages to the public will be still more pronounced. It is probable that the next important step will be government delivery of articles as well as government delivery and when that comes the government will get control of most of the small express business of the country. Few improvements were so generally desired as the parcel post, and its approval is almost unanimous everywhere.

## THE MUNROE DOCTRINE

This wobbly old earth will have ceased to turn round on its axis when Colonel Theodore Roosevelt talks in a foreign country without stirring up a fuss. Diplomats of the old and new order can meet the most delicate situations and discuss them from all angles without causing international unrest but the strenuous hero of San Juan hill and Armageddon has a way of doing things all his own. In Italy, Egypt, Germany, England, and other places he poured waters on the troubled oil, and now we read that in Santiago de Chile he is upholding the Munroe doctrine in his best traditional manner. It seems, however, that the speech which has caused the agitation was submitted to the state department before its delivery, and approved, so that he is fully justified in his stand. The Munroe doctrine is being very widely discussed at the present time, and with the differing of opinion as to its application to Mexico it is not surprising that some Chilean diplomat should differ with the colonel. It is

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- Set of 12 pieces.
- White Handled Knives and Forks, \$3.00, \$5.00
- Set of 12 pieces
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- Safety Razor Blades, 5c, 10c
- Razors, \$1, \$1.50, \$2.50
- Strops, 25c to \$1.00
- "Pike Comb, Strop and Bone, \$1.00
- Shaving Soap, per cake 10c
- Shaving Powder, can, 25c
- Watches, \$1, \$1.50, \$2
- Sportsman's Tool Kit \$1.50
- Thermometers, wood, glass, tin.
- Food Choppers (Universal) 85c to \$4.00
- X-Press Cars, \$1 to \$5
- Flexible Steering Sleds, 90c to \$2.50
- Nail Hammers, 25c up
- Screw Drivers, 10c up
- Saws, 50c up
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not reported whether a certain Gen. Hecita upholds Mr. Roosevelt or not.

## REST FOR CLERKS

Christmas morning must dawn brightly for postal clerks and store clerks who realize at that time that rest is all the more sweet when well earned. Both classes come pretty near being overworked during the days immediately preceding the festival, but there is compensation for their efforts in the reflection that they bring joy to others. May their holiday be all the happier for the strenuous time preceding.

## ASSISTANT POSTMASTERS

NEW BILL MAY EXEMPT THEM FROM CIVIL SERVICE PROTECTION

If the postoffice appropriation bill completed by the house committee on postoffices on Friday and to be reported immediately after the holiday recess taken by the national house of representatives, is passed without amendment, all assistant postmasters will be exempted from the civil service, and the position will be thrown back into the class as a political plum.

The democrats of the committee voted to put into the measure a provision substantially similar to the one in the sundry civil bill, under which deputy collectors and deputy marshals were exempted from civil service.

Just before William H. Taft retired from the presidency the bill was passed, placing the assistant postmasters under the protection of the civil service. This left the appointees of the republican postmasters reasonably sure of their positions.

## GERMAN CAPTURED

BOSTON, Dec. 21.—Auffe Blagie, 49, of Beaulieu street, Beverly, tore through the streets of the North End last night with a smoking revolver in his hand.

It seemed that the Beverly man, while at the corner of Cross and Hanover streets, selected Michael Lepore as a target, but his shots went wild. The Beverly man was fleeing from an angry crowd when the officer braggied him.

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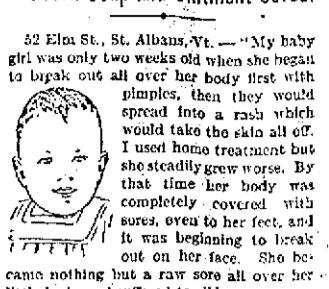
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52 Elm St., St. Albans, Vt. — "My baby girl was only two weeks old when she began to break out all over her body first with pimples, then they would spread into a rash which would take the skin all off. I used home treatment but she steadily grew worse. By that time her body was completely covered with sores, even to her feet, and it was beginning to break out on her face. She became nothing but a raw sore all over her little body and suffered terribly."

"So in despair I wrote for a sample of Cuticura Soap and Ointment and from the first it began to get better rapidly. I then bought but one cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment. In a few days I noted a great change for the better and in a month's time she was completely cured." (Signed) Mrs. W. H. Owen, Nov. 5, 1912.

Not only are Cuticura Soap and Ointment most valuable in the treatment of eczemas and other distressing eruptions of skin and scalp, but no other emollients do so much for pimples, blackheads, red, rough skins, itching, scaly scalps, dandruff, dry, thin and falling hair, chapped hands and chapped lips, nor do it so economically. Sold by druggists and dealers throughout the world. Liberal sample of each mailed free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. T, Boston."

Men who shave and shampoo with Cuticura Soap will find it best for skin and scalp.

## IT'S ABOUT TIME

Manufacturers Unite in Effort to Wipe Out Improper Trade Practices

The following resolution was passed by the American Association of Woollen and Worsted Manufacturers at its annual meeting, Dec. 2:

"Resolved, that the president of this association be authorized to appoint one representative to act with three other representatives representing the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, and the American Cotton Manufacturers Association, who shall constitute a committee for the purpose of suppressing and prosecuting bribery and improper trade practices in the sale of mill supplies."

Similar action has now been taken by two of the associations referred to. The National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, through its president, Edwin Farnham Greene, with the approval of its executive committee, has appointed as its representative W. A. Mitchell, agent of the Massachusetts mills in Lowell. This is one of the largest mills making colored goods and Mr. Mitchell has been working in harmony with the present movement since its inception. Stuart W. Cramer, president of the American Association of Cotton Manufacturers, has appointed Caesar Cone of the Proximity Mfg. Co., Greensboro, N. C., as his representative in the manufacture of colored goods and in the distributing house of the Cone Export and Commission Co., Mr. Cone is one of the most active and respected men in the south.

John P. Wood, president of the National Association of Woollen Manufacturers, is in entire sympathy with the movement and will recommend to his executive committee at their approaching meeting in January that they join with the other associations.

The American Association of Woollen and Worsted Manufacturers has designated as their representative A. M. Patterson, president of the Waterloo Woollen Mfg. Co., who has been chairman of the association's dye-stuff committee.

The dye-stuff trade is entirely in the hands of foreign manufacturers, whose agents have brought with them the methods developed in Eastern Europe and Russia. Practices are said to have become so nearly universal in this country that only a strong organization can hope to fight on equal terms. The four textile associations which are now cooperating are entirely adequate for the purpose, including in their membership nearly every cotton, woollen and worsted mill of standing, whether large or small, in the north or south.

With the cooperation of the portion of the dye-stuff trade which belongs to fair dealing, the committee plans to extend the work that is now centered in Philadelphia to New England and the southern states, for which purpose ample funds are at its disposal. The committee will also continue to assist in the prosecution of the large number of suits brought under the auspices of the American Association of Woollen and Worsted Manufacturers, and will have the advice of its counsel as well as the benefit of the mass of evidence already accumulated.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

C. Y. M. L. and Other Societies Planning Appropriate Celebrations

Following the usual custom, many of the Lowell churches and clubs will usher in Christmas eve or Christmas day with a fitting celebration. Many of the churches have made arrangements to have Santa Claus present and will have Christmas trees from which presents will be given to the members and children.

Plans have been made by the C. Y. M. L. for a Christmas tree and entertainment on Christmas afternoon and the committee in charge promise to have a program that will please every member that attends. They believe that

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- 75 SHAKER KNIT**  
Coat Sweaters—all sizes—Oxford with shawl collar, Oxford and red with V neck—regularly \$2.50 and \$3.00. For Christmas ..... \$1.95
- 80" SHAKER KNIT**  
Sweaters—Both Oxford and red, made with collars or V necks—regularly \$3.50, for Christmas ..... \$2.50
- 150 OF THE FINEST**  
Qualities of Shaker and cable stitch sweaters—Made with shawl or Byron collars or V necks—Sweaters, usual price \$5.00, for Christmas, \$3.50  
Sweaters, usual prices \$7.00 and \$8.00, for Christmas ..... \$5.00

Christmas Day is the day of days and many of the other clubs throughout the city will probably follow with like observances.

The affair will be held under the direction of the members of the Glee club and all who have any knowledge of the entertaining ability of this club feel assured that there will be plenty of fun and enjoyment.

The hall will be decorated with Christmas colors, wreaths, etc., and a beautiful tree will be placed in the center of the room containing presents for the members and their friends. The committee in charge is comprised of Messrs. Clark, O'Connor and Heslison.

## Salvation Army

At the industrial home of the Salvation Army Christmas noon a dinner will be served to the 25 inmates. This will be preceded by a Christmas tree celebration and the men will receive presents that have been sent to the home. The Salvation Army will also bring happiness to about 200 homes of the Lowell poor on Christmas eve, when over 200 baskets, each containing food enough for about five persons, will be left at homes in the crowded sections of the city.

## THE SOCCER LEAGUE

Bunting Team Out of Race for First Place in Andover, Lawrence and Lowell Soccer League

The Beverly team is now only a single point behind Andover for the lead in the Lawrence, Lowell and District Soccer League. Saturday's games gave Beverly a gain as that team won from South Lawrence, while Andover figured in a draw battle with the Clans. Saturday's games also eliminated Lawrence from championship honors and while Lawrence still has a chance it is so remote as not to be considered a chance. The Olympics by drawing with Lawrence eliminated the latter.

The Andover team will play the Blues at Manchester Saturday; Beverly plays Hunting at Lowell; the Olympics and South Lawrence meet at Burnham park; Haverhill plays Lawrence at Glen Essex; Methuen entertains Clans at Methuen.

On account of the increasing demand for an early edition of The Sun, a noon edition is now issued daily. It is on sale by newsboys and at all news stands.



On feast days most people eat too much. Help your digestion to take care of the over-load by taking one PINKLET immediately after eating. As a dinner pill these dainty sugar-coated laxatives gently stimulate the stomach, prevent congestion and all the distressing results of over-indulgence in the good things of the season. Your own druggist can supply Pinklets.

**PINKLETS**  
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FOR REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING  
STOCK MARKET SEE LATER EDITIONS

## Founder of the Mitchell's Boys' School Passed Away—Established School 35 Years Ago.

two brothers, J. A. Mitchell of Carthage, Minn., Henry of Temple, Me., and one sister, Mrs. M. A. Fenderson of Temple, Me. He was a member of Killwinnaling lodge, F. and A. M. The Mitchell's boys' school is known throughout the country and many of the students come from distant states. The old school was burned some twenty years ago after which the present structure was erected.

new ones. The central location of his office is highly pleasing to the doctor and convenient to those who seek his services. His equipment is of the latest construction and made to give the very finest dental work in a painless and highly satisfactory manner. The telephone number is 1315.

Lowell Club in Montreal  
to be Inaugurated on  
Fourth of January

The date of the inauguration of the new Lowell club recently organized in Montreal, Que., which had been set for Sunday, January 11, at the request of several residents of this city, who intend to attend the festivities, has been changed to Sunday, January 4, according to a notice received at The Sun this morning.

When the news of the organization of the Lowell club in the Canadian metropolis was announced in the columns of the Sun, many prominent men of this city signified their intention of going to Montreal, if the date of the celebration could be changed so that they would have the benefit of the mid-winter excursion to Montreal and Quebec, and a word to that effect was sent to the organizer of the club, Rodolphe Vinneau, and his reply that the

te had been changed to January 4 as resolved this morning. The Lowell men who will make the trip will leave here on Dec. 31, and it is believed will return on the following Tuesday morning. Many will take advantage of this trip to visit relatives in the Dominion and the excursion promises to be an interesting one.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

**PARKER**—Mr. Levi M. Parker, an old resident of Draught, died at his home.

Greenmont avenue Tuesday, Dec. 23, aged 75 years. Mr. Parker is survived by his wife, one son, Edwin S. of Woburn, three daughters, Miss Alice G., Annie M. and Ethel N. of Dracut. Funeral services Friday at 2 o'clock from his home, Greenmont avenue, Dracut. Friends invited to attend. Please omit flowers. Funeral home.

**DEATHS**

**FITZPATRICK**—Thomas Fitzpatrick died yesterday at the home of his son, 1000 North Main street, U.S.

Edward street. He leaves one son,  
 hard and one daughter, Marion.



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<p>Ladies' \$1.50 Felt Jullets, Fur trimmed, in all colors. Special price, pair.....</p> <p><b>98c</b></p>	<p>Men's 75c Slippers, black and tan, alligator, Everett style. Special price, pair...</p> <p><b>49c</b></p>	<p>Misses' and Children's 85c and \$1.00 Red Felt Jullets, fur trimmed. Special price, pair.....</p> <p><b>69c</b></p> <p><small>11 to 2, 75c</small></p>	<p>Men's \$1.50 Slippers, Romeo and Everett styles, also Opera, black and tan. Special price, pair....</p> <p><b>98c</b></p>	<p>Ladies' \$1.25 and \$1.50 Felt Shoes, lace and button style. Keep your feet warm. Special price, pair....</p> <p><b>98c</b></p>	<p>Buy the Boy a Pair of Rubber Boots, hip or knee boots. Special price, pair.....</p> <p><b>\$1.49</b></p>	<p>Ladies' \$1.00 Crochet Slippers, in all colors. Special price, pair.....</p> <p><b>49c</b></p>
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### OUR BIG RUBBER SALE

IS STILL GOING ON. SPECIAL PRICES ON RUBBERS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY.

<p>Ladies' Rubbers, Extension Heels.....</p> <p><b>39c</b></p>	<p>Children's Rubbers, Extension Heels.....</p> <p><b>29c</b></p>
<p>Misses' Rubbers, Extension Heels.....</p> <p><b>35c</b></p>	<p>Men's Rubbers, Extension Heels.....</p> <p><b>59c</b></p>
<p>Boys' Rubbers, Extension Heels.....</p> <p><b>49c</b></p>	

<h4>BOYS' STORM KING RUBBER BOOTS</h4> <p>Sizes 11 to 3</p> <p><b>\$1.98</b></p>	<h4>BOYS' SHORT RUBBER BOOTS</h4> <p>Sizes 11 to 2</p> <p><b>\$1.89</b></p>	<p>Men's \$1 Heavy 1-Buckle Rolled Sole and Heel Overshoes. Special, pair.....</p> <p><b>98c</b></p>
		<p>Heavy 4 Buckles, pair</p> <p><b>\$1.98</b></p>

#### Roller Sole and Heel Rubbers—

Men's, pair.....	<b>75c</b>
Boys', pair.....	<b>55c</b>
Women's, pair.....	<b>49c</b>
Misses', pair.....	<b>45c</b>
Children's, pair.....	<b>39c</b>

FOR LATE LOCAL AND TELEGRAPH NEWS SEE LATER EDITIONS

# From Yesterday's Late Editions

FOR REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING STOCK MARKET SEE LATER EDITIONS

## Athletes and Athletics

Haverhill High will properly equipped with everything that goes to make a successful football team in the future. Plans were worked out last night by the Haverhill football club, which gave the high school eleven a banquet and decided itself to the support of a new athletic field. One of the city council, a Dartmouth graduate, promised the co-operation of the municipality in the matter. Haverhill is surely proud of its high school football team.

Finney Doyle fought a hard draw with Oscar Lloyd of Boston in the semi-final of the Corcoran-Riley bout. Finney was in no condition to box but went on because the management could not offer a substitute. The Lowell boy did very well to stand Lloyd off with a draw considering the poor condition his hands are in.

Gunboat Smith and Arthur Pelky are both fit, it is reported, for their bout on the coast New Year's day. Smith is looked upon as the favorite with odds of 19 to 8. Pelky has spent more time in preparing for the contest than has his opponent. It looks like Smith's fight but we must always remember that the Chicopee scrapper packs a punch.

With the release of Dickson the poor Braves are left with only seventeen twirlers on their staff. Arthur is a weak pitcher department numerically. Is it not Dickson was given his unconditional release and will leave the sphere for Syracuse next season.

Jesse Berkett is still after those Red Sox youngsters O'Donnell, the business manager of the Worcester club.

was in Boston yesterday for the purpose of talking over a few details with Carrigan and Lanning. The latter agreed to turn over two pitchers to the Braves after the spring training trip which looks as though the Worcester team may have two real hurlers on the mound next season.

Whether or not the flash that the Federals are making now is purely stage play cannot be determined, but from all accounts the outlaws are going to make quite a showing next season. They realize as well as the sponsors of the two major leagues that if they do not come through big in 1914 there is no hope for their ultimate success and are making every effort to build up an organization which can compete with the big show.

Rube Waddell is reported to be rapidly recovering from his attack of lung trouble which threatened his life for a while. Rube is now the property of the Minneapolis club, although he is in Texas for the winter. The management of the Minnesota team expects to see Waddell in harness again next spring.

Billy Corbitt, Hector McInnis' pet, quailed Tommy Riley of Bluffton at Dover last night in one of the best bouts seen in the New Hampshire city this season. Corbitt outboxed his husky opponent, but could make no impression upon him. The two were rematched to appear there later on.

Arthur Barked, the husky tackle of last season's Lawrence High eleven, was yesterday elected captain of the down river school boys' track team. Barked's election was looked upon as a certainty as he has been a member of the track team for the past two years and is very popular.

## CO. K IN THE LEAD

DEFEATED CO. M IN EVERY BRANCH OF ARMY ATHLETICS LAST NIGHT—STANDING OF COMPANIES

Company K went to the front last night in the army league when it took all twelve points from Company M. The K boys won in all three branches of the military tournament, bowling, shooting and basketball.

Company K now has a lead of eight points over her nearest competitor, Company G. This year's race is certain to prove the hottest contest for premier honors that the Army has seen since the inauguration of the league.

Company M was completely outclassed on the alleys, losing the bowling match by the score of 1213 to 1210. Captain Greig of the leaders rolled the highest total of 285 and the high single of 101.

In the shooting K also showed undeniable superiority, winning this event by the score of 352 to 277. Sergeant Gashin's mark of 80 was the best made last night.

The basketball game was a grand struggle from first to last with the K quietest of basket shooters leading at the conclusion of the game by the score of 19 to 16. Keough and Brennan both scored four baskets from the floor. The fouls recorded against the losers helped the K team materially. The lineup and summary of the various sports is as follows:

Standing	Won	Lost
Company K	4	1
Company G	3	2
Company M	2	3
Company L	1	4

Company	Score
Company K	285
Company G	277
Company M	1213
Company L	1210

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## RECORD COTTON OUTPUT

Mill Consumption of Cotton in U.S. in 1913 Largest in History of the Country

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The mill consumption of cotton in the United States for 1913 was the largest in the history of the country and the value of cotton goods of domestic manufacture exported was greater than for any previous year, the census bureau reported today, in announcing statistics showing the supply and distribution of cotton.

With a supply of 16,225,734 running bales, the domestic consumption was 5,826,330 bales or 35.3 per cent; the exports 8,800,966 or 54.2 per cent, and stocks remaining at the close of the cotton year were 1,598,438 bales or 9.3 per cent. The mill consumption exceeded that of 1912, the previous largest year, by 418,747 bales, and the exports were 1,880,702 bales less than 1912. Stocks on hand Aug. 31 represented about seven weeks' supply for the American mills.

Spindles designed primarily for cotton numbered 32,105,177, a net increase of 566,338 over 1912. Massachusetts led all other states, having 11,075,634, or 34.5 per cent; South Carolina ranks second with 4,536,353; North Carolina third with 3,593,993.

Next in order are Rhode Island, Georgia, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maine and Alabama, all of which have as many as a million spindles.

The value of cotton goods of domestic manufacture exported amounted to \$53,743,977. Exports of cotton cloth, which amounted to 444,729,241 square yards, were valued at \$30,668,234.

The value of cotton goods imported amounted to \$53,935,982. The United Kingdom, Germany, France and Switzerland, in the order named, contributed the largest amounts, furnishing 35 per cent of the total.

The estimated number of active cotton spindles in the world for the year ending Aug. 31 is 143,358,000, an increase of 37,717,000 or 35.7 per cent since 1910.

Of the total 55,653,000 or 38.6 per cent are in the United Kingdom; 31,520,000 or 22 per cent in the United States; 11,185,000 in Germany; 0.2 per cent in Russia; 7,400,000 in France; and 6,084,000 in India. The total mill consumption of cotton for the year is placed at 21,542,000 bales.

The United States, with 5,758,000 bales leads all other countries, the United Kingdom with 4,410,000 bales being second.

## THE CHRISTMAS DINNER

PRICE OF TURKEY IS LOWER—THAT OF CHICKEN, DUCKS, ETC., UNCHANGED

It will be good news for many to hear that the price of turkey has dropped several cents since Thanksgiving day, and that this fancy bird can be purchased for the Christmas dinner for prices varying from 24 1/2 to 30 cents a pound, while in the latter part of November fancy turkeys were retailed at 35 cents per pound.

Some birds, however, which are also being advertised as Vermont turkeys, can be purchased much cheaper, and some of the merchants are ready to retail them at 24 cents a pound. Fowl and chickens as well as geese and ducks sell at the old prices, that is, chickens are being advertised at from 20 to 28 cents per pound, while fowl retail from 20 to 24 cents per pound. Ducks and geese vary from 18 to 20 cents per pound.

The fixings, including potatoes, celery and cranberries have kept their prices, while fruit is continually going up. Apples, although grown in plenty in this part of the country, are pretty

scarce on the market, the reason for this being that large amounts were shipped to other centres. Oranges have gone up a few cents, while nuts are about the same as at Thanksgiving.

The principal article on the menu on Christmas day is generally the turkey and inasmuch as that has gone down in price several cents, it is a fact that the dinner will be much cheaper than it was on the last holiday.

## MINISTER FOR 63 YEARS

REV. DAVID TULLY, AGED 63 YEARS, PREACHED SERMON AT PHILADELPHIA CHURCH TODAY

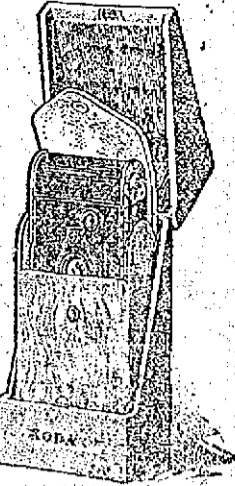
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The Rev. David Tully, who is active in the ministry at the age of 63, preached a Christmas sermon before the Presbyterian ministerial association here today. Dr. Tully took for his text, "The Order of Christ's Presence," and spoke without notes. His voice was clear and strong. The venerable clergyman has been in the active ministry more than 63 years. He is the regular Sunday preacher in Calvary Presbyterian church at Highland, Pa.

## The Kodak Gift Case

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## NORTH BILLERICA

The last night of play in the Billerica republican club whist tournament was held at the club rooms last night and the list of prize winners announced and their scores is as follows: Thomas Ellis, 202; William Melville, 196; Ralph Manning, 180; William Chambers, 176; Joseph Garner, 192; Louis Perry, 174; William Higson, 174.

## TAMPICO QUIET

U.S. Warships Arrived at Vera Cruz Today—Huerta's Birthday

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Dec. 23.—The United States battleships Kansas and Connecticut arrived here today and anchored outside the harbor with the Nebraska, the Louisiana and the New Hampshire. The two last named vessels are to leave at once for the United States. Official advices from Tampico state that all is quiet there.

**HUERTA'S BIRTHDAY**  
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—Provisional President Huerta today revived what was an annual custom under the regime of General Porfirio Diaz, of celebrating at the national palace, with great formality, the anniversary of the birth of the chief executive. He was born on December 23, 1854.

Before daylight this morning military bands marched up and down in front of the palace and serenaded the provisional president. During the forenoon he received the congratulations of committees representing all departments of the government. The final event in the day's celebration was a reception of the diplomatic corps, at which all the foreign representatives were present with the exception of Nelson O'Shaughnessy, American charge d'affaires.

## \$100,000 LOSS BY FIRE

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Damage estimated at \$100,000 was caused to the distributing plant of the George H. and Philip Leblanc Co., dealers in mill and plumbing supplies here, early today by fire of unknown origin.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

## MINOR LEAGUE

Worcesters and Oregons Tied for Lead—Nelson and Mason Have High Averages

The battle for league leader in the Minor Bowling league is waxing warmer as the weeks roll by with the Worcester and the Oregons showing the greatest strength at present. The latest figures give both of these teams a percentage of .114 while the South Ends stand third with .612.

In the individual averages Nelson and Mason stand at the head with a mark of 94 for the league games rolled thus far. Ford and Regnier are close behind with 72. The team and individual figures computed through Saturday are as follows:

TEAM	Standing	Won	Lost	P.C.
Worcesters	1	20	3	71.4
Oregons	2	19	3	71.4
South Ends	3	13	10	64.2
Hibernians	4	11	11	60.7
Dodgers	5	11	11	60.7
Lincolns	6	10	18	35.7
Superbas	7	9	10	32.1
Beavers	8	5	22	21.4

The individual averages over 85 are as follows:

Nelson 94, Mason 94, Ford 93, Regnier 93, Fowler 92, Lane 91, Jenkins 91, Shaver 91, Alderson 91, Downey 90, Green 90, Baxter 89, McKinley 89, Dunlop 89, Lees 88, Quinn 88, Holmes 88, Hill 88, Jordan 88, McDonald 88, O'Brien 88, Horndahl 88, Meyer 88, Whitehead 88, Mullin 87, Spargo 87, McMahon 87, Carty 87, Underwood 86, O'Reilly 86, Dow 86, O'Neil 86, Murphy 86, Schenck 86, Phelps 86, Chidwick 86, Kinney 85.

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## BOTANIST KILLED

Chas. B. Robinson Attacked by Natives of Amboyna Island

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 23.—Charles Budd Robinson, the United States government botanist, killed by natives of Amboyna Island in the Malay archipelago, was the only son of C. B. Robinson, one of the oldest working telegraph operators in Canada. News of his death arrived today via Manila.

Young Robinson graduated from Dalhousie university, Ontario, in 1893. He taught for several years and then, having made a study of the botany of eastern Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the lower St. Lawrence, he spent several years at Harvard university. Later he was connected with the Bronx park museum in New York. At the time of his death he was employed by the bureau of sciences of the department of the interior in the Philippines to study the flora of Amboyna Island. He was 41 years old.

C. B. Robinson, Sr., is manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co.'s office at Platon, N. S.

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**PRESIDENT AT PLANTING OF THE "WILSON ELM" AT WHITE HOUSE**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson assisted in the planting of an elm tree on the White House grounds, which will be known as the "Wilson elm." It takes the place of the so-called "Cleveland elm," which planted by President Rutherford B. Hayes, was blown down in a storm last July. The illustration shows President Wilson throwing shovelfuls of dirt into the hole in which the tree was planted.

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Fresh Killed Fowl.....20c Up  
Fancy Young Ducks.....25c Lb.  
Fresh Young Geese.....23c, 25c

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1-GENERAL INEZ SALAZAR 2-MEXICAN BOY SCOUTS 3-FEDERAL GUNS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—The federal forces have been strengthened here as preparatory to meeting the attack by the rebel troops under the two chieftains and under General Villa. The illustration shown in the illustration was photographed at an arsenal here. The small guns, indicated by an arrow, are the deadly dynamite guns. Even the results are being pressed into service by Huerta, as indicated by the appearance of the Boy Scouts, who will be forced to aid the soldiers when the revolutionists attack the city. The war office has used the time since the last attack to strengthen the garrison at Tampico and professes confidence in its ability to resist the rebels. Two minor engagements have taken place between Tampico and Altamira, twenty-three miles to the north, and the federals, according to the war office, were victorious in both. It is also announced by the war office that General Inez Salazar has defeated the rebels between Conchos and Hermosillo, north of Torreón. Salazar has been ordered to execute all prisoners, whether officers or enlisted men.

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TO FORCE CITY  
GOVERNMENT TO  
BUILD HOSPITAL

Atty. Gen. Swift Moves to Force City to Establish Contagious Hospital—Writ Served on Treas. Stiles Today

Attorney General Swift has served a copy of the petition for writ of mandamus, filed in the supreme court yesterday against the city of Lowell, on City Treasurer Stiles. The attorney-general seeks to compel the city of Lowell to establish and maintain a contagious disease hospital, and while the attorney-general seeks to force the issue, petitions are being circulated in this city to prevent the municipal council from purchasing the site which the council yesterday voted to purchase.

The state board on Dec. 9, 1911, and Dec. 9, 1912, requested the city of Lowell under the statute to establish and maintain such a hospital, and Lowell has neglected to comply with the request.

The petition for writ of mandamus reads as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Suffolk ss. Supreme Judicial Court  
James M. Swift, Attorney General

City of Lowell.

James M. Swift, attorney-general for and in behalf of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, informs the court that the city of Lowell, a municipal corporation in Middlesex county in the commonwealth of Massachusetts, is a city subject to the provisions of section 35 of chapter 75 of the revised laws, as amended by chapter 151 of the acts of 1912.

That there does not exist in said city of Lowell a hospital for the reception of persons having smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, tuberculosis or any other disease dangerous to the public health as defined by the statute of health of said commonwealth, which is satisfactory to said state board of health, and that no arrangement has been made between said city and neighboring cities or towns for the care of persons having such diseases.

That by the provisions of said statute said city is, therefore, required upon the request of said state board of health to establish and maintain constantly within its limits one or more hospitals for the reception of persons ill with such diseases.

That on the ninth day of December, 1911, and on the ninth day of December, 1912, said state board of health, in accordance with the provisions of said statute, did request said city of Lowell to establish and maintain a hospital for the reception of persons ill with said diseases, copies of which requests are annexed hereto and made a part hereof, but said city has refused and neglected to comply with said requests and has not established and maintained such hospitals within its limits nor made any arrangement satisfactory to said state board of health for the care of persons having such contagious diseases.

That the commonwealth has no adequate and effectual remedy other than that sought by this petition.

Wherefore, your informant prays this honorable court to issue its writ of mandamus in favor of the commonwealth to be directed against said

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city, commanding said city to establish and maintain a hospital for the purpose aforesaid in accordance with the requests of said state board of health and with the provisions of said statute.

James M. Swift,  
Attorney-General.

True copy attested,  
Edward W. Clark,  
Deputy Sheriff.

The Court's Order.  
The order of the court relative to the petition for the writ of mandamus sought by the attorney-general is as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Suffolk ss. Supreme Judicial Court

On the foregoing petition it is ordered,

That the petitioner give notice to the said respondent to appear before the justices of this court to be holden at Boston within and for said county of Suffolk, on Tuesday, the 30th day of December, current at 9:30 a. m., by serving it with an attested copy of said petition and of this order thereon forthwith that it may then and there show cause why the prayer of this petition should not be granted.

By the Court,  
John H. Flynn, Ass't. Clerk.

Dec. 23, 1913.

A true copy of said petition and order.

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For Later Local and Telegraph News  
and Today's Stock Market Report See  
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NO SMOKING  
AT PLAYHOUSE

Com. Cummings Considers It a Danger to Public Safety

Asks Chairman of License Board to Prohibit the Habit There

Some men seem to think that half the pleasure in seeing a show is to be allowed to smoke while the entertainment is in session and just for that a great many men frequent theatres where smoking is allowed. Commissioner Lawrence Cummings, is not a smoking man and he allows that men can enjoy a show without puffing away at their old duds, cigars or cigarettes. Besides being injurious to health the commissioner believes that more or less danger attaches to the practice of smoking in theatres and other public places. Mr. Cummings, in company with the inspector of buildings, visited the Playhouse a day or two ago and as a consequence of his visit addressed the following communication to the chairman of the license board:

Lowell, Dec. 22, 1913.

Mr. John H. Mullane, Chairman of License Commission.

Dear Sir: In company with the inspector of public buildings, Mr. Frank A. Connor, I visited a number of theatres Saturday evening, Dec. 20. As a result, we would recommend that smoking by patrons of the Playhouse, corner of Shattuck and Market streets, be stopped as we consider it a danger to the public safety of the city. Trusting the suggestion will receive your favorable consideration, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence Cummings,  
Commissioner of Public Property and Licenses.

FOR NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

Representative Henri Achin, Jr., has filed a bill in the legislature to make New Year's day a legal holiday. It was defeated last year.

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## MOVE TO BLOCK

PURCHASE OF DR.  
PILLSBURY SITE

Petitions Out for Signature for Referendum on Hospital Site—Andover St. Residents Mainly Behind Movement

Albert S. Howard who appeared for the proponents in the purchase of the Pillsbury estate for a contagious hospital site, at the hearing before the municipal council, yesterday, is endeavoring to make use of the referendum clause of the city charter.

Almost immediately after the municipal council voted yesterday afternoon to purchase the Pillsbury site, 303 petitions were put in circulation and Mr. Howard stated this forenoon that no difficulty was being experienced in obtaining signatures. The total number of signatures necessary is 2000, or 15 per cent. of the total votes cast for candidates for mayor at the last election. Besides endeavoring to make use of the referendum it was stated this afternoon that Mr. Howard would bring injunction proceedings and a bill in equity. It is stated that Mr. Howard would base his injunction proceedings on the grounds that the council had voted to pay an exorbitant price for the site in question, but it was not stated on what ground the bill in equity would be based.

Ten days are allowed to get the necessary number of signatures and after the papers have been filed it is up to the city council. The council can reconsider its former action by which the particular site was purchased or the council may call a special election and place the question of that particular site on the official ballot to be used at such special election. It is also argued that the council can, if it chooses, allow the matter to go over to the next annual city election, but this is hardly borne out by section 51 of the charter, the referendum section. That part of the section

applying to the case in question reads as follows:

If, during the ten days, or in case of the granting, renewal or extending of any general franchise or general right to occupy or use the streets, highways, bridges or public places in the city, if during the 30 days, next following the passage of any measure by the municipal council except an order, resolution or vote for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety as provided in section 27 or this act, a petition, signed by a number of voters of said city qualified to vote at city elections, equal to at least 15 per cent. of the aggregate number of votes cast for candidates for mayor at the last preceding annual city election at which a mayor was elected, and protesting against the passage of such measure shall be filed in the office of the city clerk, such measure shall be suspended from going into operation, and it shall be the duty of the municipal council to reconsider the same, and if it is not wholly repealed, the municipal council shall submit it, as is provided in sub-division (b) of section sixty, to the qualified voters of the city, and the said measure shall not go into effect or become operative unless a majority of the voters, qualified as aforesaid, voting on the same shall vote in favor thereof.

Sub-division (b) of section 60 provides that, after the expiration of twenty days after the attachment of the said certificate of sufficiency to the petition, call a special election, unless an annual city

election is to be held within ninety days after the attachment of the certificate of sufficiency, and at such special election, or annual city election, if one is so to be held, submit said measure without alteration to the voters of the city qualified as aforesaid.

Continuing, section 61 says: The voters, upon such a measure at an annual city election or special election shall be taken by ballot in answer to the question, "Shall the measure (stating the nature of the same) take effect?" which shall be printed on the ballot after the list of candidates, if there be any. Whenever any such measure or proposition is required by this act to be submitted at any election as aforesaid, the city clerk shall cause the same to be published once in said city; such publication to be not more than twenty nor less than five days before the submission of the measure or proposition to be voted on. Petitions under the provisions of this section may consist of one or more distinct papers. In each of such papers the measure, the passage of which is demanded, shall be set forth or described, and all such papers filed in any one day shall be deemed to be parts of the same petition. Such petitions shall be signed, sworn to as to signatures, examined, re-examined, presented to the municipal council, shall have the city clerk's certificate of sufficiency or insufficiency attached thereto.

Andover street residents and real estate owners represented by Mr. Howard at the hearing yesterday are behind this new move for the referendum.

CHICAGO IN DARKNESS  
SCHMIDT TRIAL

FOG, SMOKE AND ABSENCE OF AIR CURRENTS THE CAUSE—FOURTH TIME IN TWO MONTHS

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Darkness as thick as midnight spread over Chicago this forenoon, the fourth incident of this kind within two months. Fog, smoke and the absence of air currents were the causes. Before the smoky curtain descended there was daylight enough to show that yesterday's faint promise of a white Christmas had vanished in a drizzle over night.

Grain inspectors were unable to proceed with their work until 11 o'clock when a breeze sprang up and drove some of the smoke away from the city.

The crowds of belated shoppers made the work of crossing policemen difficult while the darkness lasted, but there were no accidents.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The fourth attempt called by the defense at the trial of Hans Schmidt for murder, agreed with his predecessors that Schmidt was insane. The witness, Dr. M. S. Gregory of Bellevue hospital, said Schmidt's mind was so obsessed with the idea of making a sacrifice when he killed Anna Amuller that he did not think of man-made law.

Judge Warren W. Foster who presides at the trial told the jurors that the trial must be finished before the expiration of his term, Dec. 31. "There must be no question of mistrial," he said.

After displaying to the jury a chart of the Schmidt family tree indicating traces of insanity, delirium, tremens, suicide and attempts at suicide among Schmidt's ancestors the defense rested its case with the reservation that opportunity would be taken later to propound a hypothetical question.

PRINCE WILSON GIVES PRESENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Christmas cheer went out from the White House today to the hundreds of needy in Washington by direction of the president and Mrs. Wilson and their daughters Margaret and Eleanor. Before the president's family left for Mississippi last night, Mrs. Wilson presented to the capital had been listed for practical Christmas gifts. Many of these had been discovered by Mrs. Wilson and her daughters by personal investigation.

Accordingly two large auto trucks left the White House early today loaded with turkeys, hams, vegetables, cooked foods of many kinds, fruits and nuts and a glittering array of toys and knock knacks for children of the poor. The entire day was taken up by White House attaches in making the deliveries.

## MAY DROP 500 EMPLOYEES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—In order to meet an unexpected demand for notes for small denominations, Secretary McAdoo of the treasury department has appealed to congress for an appropriation of \$27,725 for the use of the bureau of engraving and printing. Should congress fail to make the appropriation the secretary says it would necessitate a reduction in the bureau's force of about 500 employees for the latter half of next year and make it necessary to furlough without pay for ten weeks the entire force of 2550 employees now engaged in the manufacture of United States notes and gold and silver certificates.

## TO PLAY SANTA CLAUS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Secretary Redford of the department of commerce will play Santa Claus to the several hundred employees in his department tonight. A big Christmas tree has been provided and gifts will be distributed to all.

## THE SUN

Noon edition is on sale by newsboys, at all news-stands and in the suburban towns every day at noon. This edition will contain the latest local and telegraphic news, as well as many special features of general interest.

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## SEC'Y • LANE'S REPORT TAGG'S PLACE

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To this question, I have given much thought, and my conclusion is that if we are to bring Alaska into the early and full realization of her possibilities we must create a new piece of governmental machinery for the purpose. We should undertake the work in a spirit of compromise, and the method of a corporation wishing to develop a large territory. In my judgment the way to deal with the problem of Alaskan resources is to establish a board of directors to have this work in charge. The board of directors should be composed of the hands of this board or commission. I would give all the national interests in that territory to be used for the benefit of her improvement—her lands, fisheries, Indians, Eskimos, seals, forests, mines, waterways, railroads—all that the nation owns, cares for, controls, or regulates. Congress should determine the broad outline of the policies which this board or commission should elaborate and administer, as is done in the Philippines. This board would of course have nothing whatsoever to do with the internal affairs of the organized territory or powers such as congress granted over the property of the United States in Alaska.

In concluding his reasons for the creation of such conservation machinery for Alaska, Secretary Lane says: "In short, I would construct the administration machinery that would most surely lead to a prompt and continuous development of Alaska as a part of the United States upon a plane commensurate with her possibilities industrially, agriculturally and socially."

**Railroads for Alaska**

"Alaska should not, in my judgment, be regarded as a mere storehouse of resources upon which the people of the states may draw. She has the potentialities of a state. And whatever policy may be adopted, it should look toward an Alaska of homes, of industries, and of an extended commerce. "Strongly as I would urge this method of management—for it offers a rare opportunity to exhibit the efficiency of a republic—I would not have Alaska wait for needed legislation until the merits of such a plan could be passed upon by congress. Those things which appeal to me as of immediate necessity upon which independent action may be taken are (1) the construction of railroads in the territory and (2) the opening of her coal lands."

Secretary Lane expresses the opinion that privately-owned railroads would not be constructed in Alaska for many years except as adjuncts to private enterprises. He regards it as the duty of the government to undertake their building.

"The rates and service of such railroads should be fixed with reference to Alaskan development—not with regard to immediate returns. The charges should be lower for years to come than would justify private investment." Alaskan railroads are to be built, he says, "to create a commonwealth. If this is our task, it should be done wholeheartedly and with a consciousness that the dollar spent today on an Alaskan railroad will yield no more immediate return on the investment than the dollar spent on the Panama canal."

Such railroads as may be constructed by individuals as feeders or tap lines of the government roads should be "under governmental supervision, capitalized and operated under the strictest regulation and be at any time subject to purchase by the government."

**Should Open Coal Fields**

Discussing the coal resources of Alaska, Secretary Lane declares the fields "should be opened not to speculators, but to operators. Those should have these lands who will use them. None should be opened as a basis for a gamble in future values." In his judgment they may be turned over safely to the public under a leasing and royalty system similar to that under which the state of Minnesota leases its ore lands and the states of Montana and Colorado their coal lands. It adds that the money received might be used in the development of the country and that a large body of coal land in each field be reserved for the navy in time of need.

Vigorous suggestions looking to the conservative development of the coal lands of the west are made by Secretary Lane. "It is certainly not for the public interest," the report says, "that our coal deposits shall be opened rapidly and ruthlessly. I cannot feel, however, that we should sacrifice any present need for fuel or willingly surrender ourselves to a demand for exorbitant prices because of a fear that some day the coal supply may be exhausted. Already there has been developed a substitute for coal in the flowing stream. The turbine converts melted snow into heat and light, which can be distributed over a constantly widening area. I think we have now arrived at that point in scientific achievement which justifies the belief that the wheels of industry will not cease, nor our houses go unlighted or unheated, so long as dams may be built upon our

## Outlines Policy for Development of National Resources—Not a Single Recommendation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—With bold strokes Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the interior, yesterday outlined, in his annual report to the president, a broad policy in the conservation of the vast natural resources of the United States which yet the executive and legislative powers of the government and pointed to the important results that may be achieved through the development of these resources under proper supervision.

Comparatively, the report is brief. It likewise is wholly unique, in that it contains not a single recommendation. Suggestions for action, which Secretary Lane observes emphatically "is what the country desires and needs, are numerous; but he prefers to propose general policies to the making of flat recommendations.

Two notable and interesting predictions are indicated rather than made in the report. One is that the time is not far distant when coal of too low a grade "to stand storage or transportation will be converted into electricity at the mouth of the mines and widely distributed for lighting, heat and power"; the other, that the gigantic force now wasting itself in the rivers of the country will be so controlled by dams as to provide heat light and power to the people and that "within a generation I believe the people will be as alive to the value of public ownership of hydro-electric power plants as they are today to municipally owned water works."

In the opening lines of the report, Secretary Lane takes up a serious situation which obtains in a great section of the country. "There exists a feeling in the west," says he, "that its affairs and needs have not been given that consideration at the hands of the national government which they merit. This feeling is not confined to speculators or exploiters. It is the sentiment of many who are without selfish motive and regard the matter wholly from the standpoint of national growth."

New Lane Policy  
"There is one very simple explanation for the existence of this feeling."

We have adventured upon a new policy of administering our affairs and have not developed adequate machinery. We have called a halt on methods of spoliation which existed, to the great benefit of many, but we have failed to substitute methods, sane, healthful and progressive, by which the normal enterprise of an ambitious people can make full use of their own resources. We abruptly closed opportunities to the monopolist, but did not open them to the developer."

The land policy put into force, he says, "caused dismay and discontent." The congress had been most generous in its disposition of the public lands. They were given to the railroads and to the states. To classify them was too difficult a task. They would classify themselves when they arrived in individual ownership. And so the door was opened for monopoly and for fraud."

"If the government did not appreciate the invaluable nature of its assets there were men who did. The nation wanted home makers, but found the lands drifting into the hands of corporations which were withdrawing them from the market. A reaction was inevitable. If lands were to be withdrawn from public service, why might not the government do the withdrawing itself?"

A new policy was evolved, the secretary pointed out that of using the land for the purpose to which it is best fitted. "To this policy," he says, "I believe the west is now reconciled. The west no longer urges a return to the hazards of the land is land policy. But it does ask recognition. Already the congress has recognized the appropriateness of this policy, but it is for yourself and congress further to extend this thought into our legislation."

**Resources Idle in Alaska**  
"The largest body of unused and neglected land in the United States is Alaska." In the 45 years intervening since its purchase, "we have given it little more than the most casual concern, yet its mines, fisheries and fur alone have added to our wealth the grand sum of \$500,000,000. For almost a generation it was the rich harvest field of a single company. Individual fortunes have been made in that country larger than the price paid to Russia for the whole territory. It has been estimated that there are 50,000,000 acres of this land that will make homes for a people as sturdy as those of New England. Whether this is so or not it would appear that Alaska can be made self-sustaining agriculturally."

"This vast and unsurpassed asset lies almost undeveloped. A territory one-fifth the size of the United States contains less than a thousand miles of anything that can be called a wagon road."

This "unfortunate condition," in Secretary Lane's judgment, is not due to "the inhospitable of the Alaska climate," because "some of southeastern Alaska has a climate more temperate and more equable than that of the city of Washington, while much of the greater portion of the north has a kinder climate than Stockholm or St. Petersburg. There is, moreover, a railroad building 500 miles north of the Canadian border than there is for the same distance south of it."

**Well Worth Developing**  
"Why has not this land been developed? The frank answer is that we did not realize until within a few years that it was worth developing. As soon as we discovered its value as a national asset we became alarmed and drew back, frightened at the thought that we might lose it, or at least that it would become the property of those who would exploit it without respect to the public interest."

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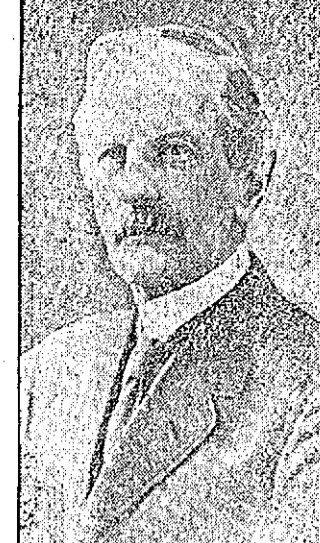
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streams. Water will be, indeed already is, the greatest conservator of coal. We must seek to make use of our coal, the fullest use that society requires. This principle seems a truism. But here lies the difficulty. We wish cheap coal and at the same time a minimum of waste. We wish society to take the lion's share of the profit and yield no more to the operator than will make his work sufficiently attractive to keep him at it. In short, we desire competition without waste, a frank impossibility. "Other countries have wrestled with this problem. Some have gone into government operation. But those who are nearest to us in institutions and tendencies have found that in a new country where there must be large development and higher rewards for enterprise, the safest practicable method is to lease the land, the government taking a modest royalty and retaining some measure of control over operation."

**Substitute Oil for Coal**  
Similar suggestions are offered as to the development of petroleum, phosphate and potash. Secretary Lane's idea is that such deposits ought to be developed under the leasing system, as in the case of coal, the government reserving necessary supplies. "As to oil he says: 'We should, I believe, stimulate the search for oil and protect the prospector. I feel that we are not sufficiently rewarding the pioneer. A plan could readily be evolved by which any one wishing to prospect for oil on the public lands could obtain a license from the government exclusively to prospect a large tract of land for a period of time—perhaps two years—and in the event that oil is found in commercial quantities the government should be paid a royalty fixed in advance.'"

The United States will need oil for its navy as well as coal, and probably in increasing quantities as the modern oil burning or gas burning engines are recognized. It would be economical to substitute oil for coal for many reasons; to reduce labor cost, to avoid the building and maintenance of colliers, and the purchase and support of coal-burning ships. England's present policy in this direction will presumably force other nations into like enterprises, and yet England has no oil fields on which to draw, while we have already the largest producing fuel oil fields in the world, and others are appearing. Under these conditions it would seem of the highest expediency that the government make such efforts as will insure the proving of our lands, and of these proved lands retain sufficient to make our ships independent of the world and as fully competent as their rivals."

**Disatisfied With Law**

Secretary Lane expresses frankly his dissatisfaction with the operation of the homestead law as to the timber lands. He says the "homesteader," after getting patent to the land, promptly sells it for \$10,000 or \$20,000 to some lumber company, without making an effort to comply with the spirit of the law. The government does not gain a real home market. Such homesteaders add nothing to the wealth of the nation. The law should punish them, in fact, as frauds. There is a remedy for this condition of things, and it lies in the selling of the land and the timber separately.

Such attention is devoted to the report to the consideration of the reclamation of arid lands. Discussion of the subject is replete with interest to the farmers who locate on the various projects. Secretary Lane suggests that they be given a longer time than ten years in which to pay for their lands, because "the work of genuine pioneers in a new field of work on the success of which depends greatly the rescuing of a vast territory. Of these reclamation projects, Secretary Lane says:

"The west can use profitably and wisely \$100,000,000 in the next 10 years to the advantage of the whole country. If the government will place upon a leasing basis these

western resources with which we have been dealing, it can have an increased fund for the continuance of this work and an increased assurance of the return of its advances."

In conclusion, Secretary Lane directs attention to the enormous details, all important, which the interior department administers, including care of the Indians and Eskimos, administration of national parks, payment of pensions, supervision of public lands, territories and many other important works.

**STUDENTS HOME FOR HOLIDAYS**

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A special train reached the city this morning with hundreds of Smith college girls who were hurrying to their homes in every part of the country for Christmas holidays. The girls were beaming with happiness and all seemed to have waiting groups of relatives and friends. A little later 300 boys from Exeter arrived and like the Smith girls they found their friends and parents waiting at the station.

**PRaises PRES. WILSON**

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The Home Market club, the official exponent of standard republican principles, almost in unison the democratic administration yesterday.

As it was the club officially congratulated President Wilson on being alive to the dangers confronting American business and congratulated the administration that it was giving heed to the danger signals of the business world.

**AUTO WAIT IN NANTUCKET**

NANTUCKET, Dec. 24.—Another stage of Nantucket's auto war was reached today in the conviction of Clinton Folger for second and third offenses in violation of the automobile exclusion order of the selectmen. Folger was fined \$50 for one offense and appealed. The other was placed on file.

## SUSPECT PRINDLE

Think He is Responsible for Breaks at Newburyport.

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 24.—A similarity in the methods used by burglars who ransacked the house of Mrs. Kath-

erine Tingley on High street, this city, last spring, and those said to have been used by James W. Prindle arrested in Somerville for alleged burglaries, has started local police officials to conduct an investigation to determine whether or not the Somerville suspect is guilty of the local break. Finger-prints left on panels in the Tingley house, which the burglars ripped open in evident quest of hidden valuables, and the tearing apart of these panels with some instrument, whose marks point to the blade of an axe, lead the police to believe that Prindle may have paid this city a visit and knows something about the ransacking of one of the most famous colonial houses in the country.

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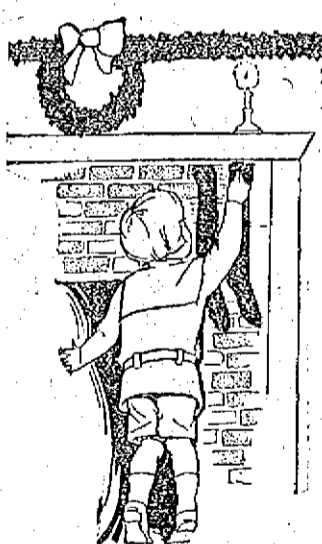
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## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

In the noble gallery of "In Memoriam" Tennyson has placed no more beautiful picture than his exquisite impression of Christmas:

"The time draws near the birth of Christ,  
The moon is hid, the night is chill;  
The Christmas bells from hill to hill  
Answer each other in the mist."

Year after year, this golden holiday, the foundation of which goes back to the dawn of Christianity, calls to the surface feelings of joy and happiness that are the foundation of all family relations, all loyalty to just government, all religious aspiration. The Christmas bells ring out their peals of exultant joy and as they answer each other over the hills of the world the joyous voices of the peoples of the nations blend with them in messages of Christmas hope and love and cheer. As once on the hills of Bethlehem the glory of heaven shone around some poor shepherds who were watching their flocks and the angels of God sent them to a lowly stable where a baby lay who should hold the world in thrall by chains of love, so again once a year a sudden heavenly light and harmony transforms all things earthly and with the faith of the shepherds of Judea we go over in spirit to Bethlehem and become as little children before a scene that poets have sung in songs of ecstasy and master artists have painted, but which still stands unrivalled in the sublimity of its biblical simplicity.

Christmas time is a time of joyous merriment and in its annual celebration down the centuries the hearts of mankind have sought means to give external expression to the happiness that welled up within. Pagan usages and customs were adopted to Christian ritual. The mystic mistletoe that the druid priests cut in the starlight with their gleaming sickles took on a rite of significance; the cheery warmth of the blazing fire was consecrated to the time by the Christmas log; music flowered out in tinkling Christmas carols; Nature gave its holly and ivy in vivid scarlet and green. Formally melted before the warmth of the time and there was plenty and good cheer in the Christian home before the casual visitor. The very cheerfulness of the winter time added greater zest to the family observance, and the colder winds blew or the heavier the snows fell, the more cheery was the circle grouped around the fireside. Scott crystallizes this joyous spirit in three beautiful lines:

"Heap on more wood! the wind is chill,  
But let it whistle as it will,  
We'll keep our Christmas merry still."

Christmas is one of the holidays that has stood out most bravely against time, the ironclad. True, it no longer extends in its observance well into the new year as it did in the old days of childish faith, but though modified, all its observances still have a place in our civilization. Old Scrooge and a few of his relatives are among us yet, but practically all people are touched by the witchery of the time. The sober bank president whose face has all the mysterious stolidity of his ledger on work days will carry home a rosy glow of immense proportions and submit to being jostled unmercifully by the driver of a coal team who has a train of cars and four other bundles. Fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, husbands, wives and sweethearts wear mysterious expressions for weeks and on Christmas day their reserve is explained by the gifts that spring out of carefully-planned hiding places. Older folks that have for days told wide-eyed wonderers of the generosity of Santa Claus find themselves all at once believing in the traditional benefactor.

Peace and good will to mankind were the gifts of the angels on the hills of Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago, and peace and good will are the qualities most needed in the world of today. This year the valleys of war and the resounding cannon will not grow out the Christmas chimneys and there may be time for the nations to ponder the lessons of international peace. In a smaller sense we can all practice good will. If we do so our Christmas will be merry, for to practice good will is to become good and "the good are always the merry." Let us then put a few last touches to the arrangement of our holly branches, get ready our gifts for the morrow, and prepare to say cheerily to all we meet: "Merry Christmas."

THE PRESIDENT'S REPROOF

The sanest pronouncement on the episode of the Carabaz club dinner that made President Wilson resign from the organization in protest is the recently published letter of the president to Secretaries Garrison and Daniels in which he requests the imposition of "a very serious reprimand" for the offenders, and gives his reasons for so requesting. The president was upheld in his action by the opinion of thoughtful people throughout the country, but quite a few pretended to see in it the leanings of the unduly solemn and the "amateur" willfully blind to the fact that the president has always been immensely popular with

college and university students who are not usually attracted to things solemn, and that in his "amateur" way he has done more in Washington in one year than had been done for many years previously. As much of the criticism and burlesque of the dinner was aimed at the secretary of state it is to be expected that many would uphold the offending officers, for Secretary Bryan is more cordially hated and more persistently misrepresented than any other member of the administration.

The president's letter sets forth the offense so admirably and the features that made it especially obnoxious, that comment is unnecessary. Here are the first few paragraphs which state the case in a nutshell and which cannot be easily parodied by those superior beings who treat the administration so indulgently and patronizingly:

"The officers who were responsible for the program of the evening, are certainly deserving of a very serious reprimand, which I hereby request be administered; and I cannot rid myself of a feeling of great disappointment that the general body of officers assembled at the dinner should have greeted the carrying out of such a program with apparent indifference to the fact that it violated some of the most dignified and sacred traditions of the service."

"I am told that the songs and other amusements of the evening were intended and regarded as 'fun.' What are we to think of officers of the army and navy of the United States who think it 'fun' to bring their official superiors into ridicule and the policies of the government which they are sworn to serve with unquestioning loyalty into contempt? If this is their idea of fun what is their idea of duty? If they do not hold their loyalty above all silly effervescences of children, what about their profession? Do they hold it sacred?"

It is too bad that the censorship which the president legitimately holds over the "fun" of our army officers does not extend to some lines of private activity. No nation more keenly resents adverse criticism abroad than America and no nation invites such criticism by open irreverence at home towards what all other countries hold most sacred.

## A SONG SWINDLE

In occasional court revelations the nets of the swindler are drawn in and the public stands agape at the multitude of the "suckers" that are caught by the different kinds of bait and the clever methods of their capture. One of the latest catches was exposed to view in New York recently when a swindler was sentenced for defrauding hundreds of aspiring poets and musicians throughout the country who had sent their compositions to the metropolitan fraud in expectation of reaping fame and fortune. The swindler who had advertised extensively and promised to work wonders had pocketed the sum enclosed with the manuscript, and that ended the transaction. If the final of the swindle in the New York courts did not interfere with the progress of the muse throughout the country it ought to have convinced the dupes that they should not invest money in any venture without being convinced of its authenticity and honesty.

Since the pure food laws and other such regulations have come into being, the government is doing wonders in uncovering the wiles of the swindler, but it seems that there is always a harvest of dishonestly-gained dollars being reaped by the clever trickster. The "appeal to song writers" game is not new and the most cursory examination of some magazines will reveal several kindred schemes to the wise. Some of the drink-cures and other nostrums that are so alluringly pictured are meant to bring illegal gain to their promoters instead of benefiting humanity, and while we have gullible people who will believe all they read, we shall have victims of this variety of swindle. Besides the wrong these concerns do to their victims, there is also the wrong they do to legitimate business by the general distrust they create in the minds of those who discover the fraud. There is room for the strictest government regulation of publicly-advertised swindles, and the New York case proves that the authorities are awake to the danger they do. They ought to be stamped out mercilessly.

## DUE TO PARCEL POST

The spectacle of the express companies advertising for business and offering as an inducement that they guarantee to deliver goods safely is something new and is directly traceable to the quickening influence of the parcel post which has brought the express companies into competition with Uncle Sam. In the good old times when the companies had the field all

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to themselves there was little or no competition and the public had to accept the service given whether good or bad. The coming of the parcel post reduced the express rates and improved the service and with the development of the government idea, the advantages to the public will be still more pronounced. It is probable that the next important step will be government collection of articles as well as government delivery and when that comes the government will get control of most of the small express business of the country. Few improvements were so generally desired as the parcel post, and its approval is almost unanimous everywhere.

## THE MUNROE DOCTRINE

This wobbly old earth will have ceased to turn round on its axis when Colonel Theodore Roosevelt talks in a foreign country without stirring up a fuss. Diplomats of the old and new order can meet the most delicate situations and discuss them from all angles without causing international unrest but the strenuous hero of San Juan hill and Armageddon has a way of doing things all his own. In Italy, Egypt, Germany, England, and other places he poured waters on the troubled oil, and now we read that in Santiago de Chile he is upholding the Monroe doctrine in his best traditional manner. It seems, however, that the speech which has caused the agitation was submitted to the state department before its delivery, and approved, so that he is fully justified in his stand. The Monroe doctrine is being very widely discussed at the present time, and with the differing of opinion as to its application to Mexico it is not surprising that some Chilean diplomat should differ with the colonel. It is

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## REST FOR CLERKS

Christmas morning must dawn brightly for postal clerks and store clerks who realize at that time that rest is all the more sweet when well earned. Both classes came pretty near being overworked during the days immediately preceding the festival, but there is compensation for their efforts in the reflection that they bring joy to others. May their holiday be all the happier for the strenuous time preceding.

## ASSISTANT POSTMASTERS

NEW BILL MAY EXEMPT THEM FROM CIVIL SERVICE PROTECTION

If the postoffice appropriation bill completed by the house committee on postoffices on Friday and to be reported immediately after the holiday recess taken by the national house of representatives, is passed without amendment, all assistant postmasters will be exempted from the civil service, and the position will be thrown back into the ring as a political plum.

The democrats of the committee voted to put into the measure a provision substantially similar to the one in the civil bill, under which deputy collectors and deputy marshals were exempted from civil service.

Just before William H. Taft retired from the presidency the bill was passed, placing the assistant postmasters under the protection of the civil service. This left the appointees of the republican postmasters reasonably sure of their positions.

## GUNMAN CAPTURED

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Auffie Blaggio, 32, of Beutol street, Beverly, tore through the streets of the North End last night with a smoking revolver in his hand. It seemed that the Beverly man, while at the corner of Cross and Hanover streets, selected Michael Lopez as a target, but his shots went wild. The Beverly man was fleeing from an angry crowd when the officer braggled him.

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## IT'S ABOUT TIME

Manufacturers Unite in Effort to Wipe Out Improper Trade Practices

The following resolution was passed by the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers at its annual meeting, Dec. 2:

"Resolved, that the president of this association be authorized to appoint one representative to act with three other representatives representing the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, and the American Cotton Manufacturers Association, who shall constitute a committee for the purpose of suppressing and prosecuting bribery and improper trade practices in the sale of mill supplies."

Similar action has now been taken by two of the associations referred to. The National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, through its president, Edwin Furman Greene, with the approval of its executive committee, has appointed as its representative W. A. Mitchell, agent of the Massachusetts mills in Lowell. This is one of the largest mills making colored goods and Mr. Mitchell has been working in harmony with the woolen manufacturers since its inception. Stuart W. Crane, president of the American Association of Cotton Manufacturers, has appointed Caesar Cone of the Proximity Mill Co., Greensboro, N. C. Besides his large interests in the manufacture of colored goods and in the distributing house of the Cone Export and Commission Co., Mr. Cone is one of the most active and respected men in the south.

John P. Wood, president of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, is in entire sympathy with the movement and will recommend to his executive committee at their approaching meeting in January that they join with the other associations.

The American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers has designated as their representative A. M. Patterson, president of the Waterloo Woolen Mfg. Co., who has been chairman of the association's dye-stuff committee.

The dye stuff trade is entirely in the hands of foreign manufacturers whose agents have brought with them the methods developed in Eastern Europe and Russia. Practices are said to have become so nearly universal in this country that only a strong organization can hope to fight on equal terms. The four textile associations which are now cooperating are entirely adequate for the purpose, including in their membership nearly every cotton, woolen and worsted mill of standing, whether large or small, in the north or south.

With the cooperation of the portion of the dye stuff trade which believes in fair dealing, the committee plans to extend the work that is now centered in Philadelphia to New England and the southern states, for which purpose the committee has at its disposal. The committee will also continue to assist in the prosecution of the large number of suits brought under the auspices of the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers, and will have the advice of its counsel as well as the benefit of the mass of evidence already accumulated.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

C. Y. M. L. and Other Societies Planning Appropriate Celebrations

Following the usual custom, many of the Lowell churches and clubs will usher in Christmas eve or Christmas day with a fitting celebration. Many of the churches have made arrangements to have Santa Claus present and will have Christmas trees from which presents will be given to the members and children.

Plans have been made by the C. Y. M. L. for a Christmas tree and entertainment on Christmas afternoon and the committee in charge promise to have a program that will please every member that attends. They believe that

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## THE SOCCER LEAGUE

Hunting Team Out of Race for First Place in Andover, Lawrence and Lowell Soccer League

The Beverly team is now only a single point behind Andover for the lead in the Lawrence, Lowell and District Soccer league. Saturday's games gave Beverly a gain as that team won from South Lawrence, while Andover figured in a draw battle with the Clans. Saturday's games also eliminated Lawrence from championship honors and while Lawrence still has a chance it is so remote as not to be considered a chance. The Olympics by drawing with Lawrence eliminated the latter.

The Andover team will play the Blues at Manchester Saturday. Beverly plays United at Lowell; the Olympics and South Lawrence meet at Burnham park; Haverhill plays Lawrence meet at Burnham park; Lawrence at Glen Essex; Methuen entertains Clans at Methuen.

On account of the increasing demand for an early edition of The Sun, a noon edition is now issued daily. It is on sale by newsboys and at all news stands.



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# THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES

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The Christmas holiday will be observed in a fitting manner in the Catholic churches. This feast is the most important in the Catholic church calendar, and the observance will be in accordance. The temples have been richly decorated with greenery and foliage, while the altars are being covered with holly leaves and flowers as well as hundreds of incandescent lights. In each temple a shrine of exceptional beauty was constructed, and these will be the chief attractions tomorrow, especially for children.

Services will be held in all the Catholic churches tomorrow morning. Special musical programs have been prepared for this occasion and in some churches orchestras will be in attendance during the main service. The programs to be rendered in the various churches tomorrow follow:

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Processional: "Angels We Have Heard"  
Carols: "Holy Night"  
Introit: "Puer Natus".....G. Capocci  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"  
Responses by sanctuary choir, 30 voices, Brother Linus director.  
Church choir: Miss Francis Tiche, soprano; Mrs. James Morris, alto; Mr. John McNabb, tenor; Mr. Andrew A. McCarthy, baritone, assisted by a choir of 40 voices and M. J. Johnson at the organ.

**SOLEMN VESPERS 7 O'CLOCK**  
Processional: "Sleep, Holy Babe"  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis"  
Psalm: "In the Night"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass 11 o'clock  
Christmas Carols (at 10:45)  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

**SOLEMN VESPERS AT 7 O'CLOCK**  
Christmas Carols  
Processional: "Angels We Have Heard"  
Carols: "Holy Night"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

**SACRED HEART CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass 11 a. m.  
Organ Prelude, Tannhauser March  
Processional hymn: "Angels From the Realms of Glory"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH**  
Solemn Mass at 10:45 a. m.  
Organ prelude.  
a. March of the Magi Kings. Dubois  
b. Prelude in D minor. Kramer  
c. "Gloria in Excelsis" traditional  
Processional: "Gloria in Excelsis" traditional  
Introit: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
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**ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH**  
High Mass 10:30 o'clock  
Processional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Kyrie.....J. D. Kumin  
Gloria.....J. D. Kumin  
Credo.....J. D. Kumin  
Offertory: Adagio Fideles  
Margaret Flanagan, Lillian Brown  
Sanctus.....J. D. Kumin  
Benedictus.....J. D. Kumin  
Agnus Dei.....J. D. Kumin  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Benediction at 5 o'clock  
Processional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Tantum Ergo.....Werner  
Halleluia.....Werner  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Miss Katherine Wholey, organist and director.

**ST. JOSEPH'S**  
Solemn High Mass 10:30.  
Prelude: "Marche des Rois Mages"  
Organ.  
Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"  
Introit: "Gloria in Excelsis"  
Sanctus.....J. D. Kumin  
Benedictus.....J. D. Kumin  
Agnus Dei.....J. D. Kumin  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Miss Katherine Wholey, organist and director.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
Solemn High Mass, 11 a. m.  
Processional: "O Holy Night"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

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Solemn Mass at 10:45 a. m.  
Organ prelude.  
a. March of the Magi Kings. Dubois  
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Processional: "Gloria in Excelsis" traditional  
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Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
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Puer Natus Es.....Gregorian  
Kyrie.....Rev. Turner  
Gloria.....Rev. Turner  
Qui Tollis, bass solo.....G. Perreault  
Viderunt Omnes.....Gregorian  
Credo.....Rev. Turner  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Nato Nobis.....Van Reyschoot  
Edouard F. Gregoire and Choir  
Sanctus.....Rev. Turner  
Agnus Dei.....Rev. Turner

**ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass, Rt. Rev. Henry Da Silva, Celebrant.  
11 A. M.  
Processional hymn: "O Little Babe"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

**ST. MARGARET'S**  
Solemn High Mass at 10:45  
Prelude: Overture.....G. Lavallo  
Gullbault's Orchestra, 30 Pieces  
Mass.....Durand  
Soloists: Miss Elizabeth Murningham, alto; Mr. Cornelius Calahan, tenor; Messrs. William Butts and Frank McCarthy, bass.  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Solo by Miss Catherine V. Hennessy, accompanied by the orchestra.  
Agnus Dei.....Falkenstein  
Church choir.  
Postlude, Coronation March, Meyerbeer  
VESPERS 7:30  
Prelude: "Gloria in Excelsis"  
Psalm: "In the Night"  
Magnificat

M. P. McCarthy and Choir  
O Salutaris.....Holden  
Miss Catherine V. Hennessy  
Tantum Ergo.....Dubois  
Laudate.....Van Reyschoot  
Postlude.....Willor  
Louis Napoleon Gullbault, organist and director.  
Wilfred Deziel, accompanist.

**ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH**  
High Mass 10:30 o'clock  
Processional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Kyrie.....J. D. Kumin  
Gloria.....J. D. Kumin  
Credo.....J. D. Kumin  
Offertory: Adagio Fideles  
Margaret Flanagan, Lillian Brown  
Sanctus.....J. D. Kumin  
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Agnus Dei.....J. D. Kumin  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Benediction at 5 o'clock  
Processional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Tantum Ergo.....Werner  
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Organist  
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Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"  
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Sanctus.....J. D. Kumin  
Benedictus.....J. D. Kumin  
Agnus Dei.....J. D. Kumin  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Miss Katherine Wholey, organist and director.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
Solemn High Mass, 11 a. m.  
Processional: "O Holy Night"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

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Organ prelude.  
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Sanctuary choir.  
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Church choir.  
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Qui Tollis, bass solo.....G. Perreault  
Viderunt Omnes.....Gregorian  
Credo.....Rev. Turner  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Nato Nobis.....Van Reyschoot  
Edouard F. Gregoire and Choir  
Sanctus.....Rev. Turner  
Agnus Dei.....Rev. Turner

**ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass, Rt. Rev. Henry Da Silva, Celebrant.  
11 A. M.  
Processional hymn: "O Little Babe"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Recessional: "Bethlehem".....Gounod  
Carols: "Gloria in Excelsis".....Gounod  
"Carol, Sweetly Carol"

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Solemn High Mass at 10:45  
Prelude: Overture.....G. Lavallo  
Gullbault's Orchestra, 30 Pieces  
Mass.....Durand  
Soloists: Miss Elizabeth Murningham, alto; Mr. Cornelius Calahan, tenor; Messrs. William Butts and Frank McCarthy, bass.  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Solo by Miss Catherine V. Hennessy, accompanied by the orchestra.  
Agnus Dei.....Falkenstein  
Church choir.  
Postlude, Coronation March, Meyerbeer  
VESPERS 7:30  
Prelude: "Gloria in Excelsis"  
Psalm: "In the Night"  
Magnificat

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Magnificat

assisted by Mrs. Joseph Glaty, clarinetist and Mr. James Gilmore, violinist.

**ST. ANNE'S CHURCH**  
Merrimack Street  
Rev. Appleton Granville, Rector; Rev. Samuel H. Jobe, Associate  
Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m.  
With music by the Guild of St. Cecilia  
Processional hymn: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"  
Cantata on service in St. Paul  
Offertory: "O Holy Night"  
Recessional hymn: "Shout the Glad Tidings"  
Tidings  
Holy Communion at 10:30  
With music by the church choir  
Prelude, March of the Magi Kings, Dubois  
Processional hymn: Adagio Fideles  
Introit: "Gloria in Excelsis"  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Sanctus.....J. D. Kumin  
Benedictus.....J. D. Kumin  
Agnus Dei.....J. D. Kumin  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Benediction at 5 o'clock  
Processional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Tantum Ergo.....Werner  
Halleluia.....Werner  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Miss Katherine Wholey, organist and director.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH**  
Processional: "O Come All Ye Faithful"  
Agnus Dei.....Falkenstein  
Kyrie.....J. D. Kumin  
Gloria.....J. D. Kumin  
Credo.....J. D. Kumin  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Sanctus.....J. D. Kumin  
Benedictus.....J. D. Kumin  
Agnus Dei.....J. D. Kumin  
Recessional March.....E. A. Babbiste  
Organist  
Miss Katherine Wholey, organist and director.

**EVERETT POLICE CHIEF AND CAPTAIN FAILED TO RESPOND PROMPTLY TO CALL**

**EVERETT, Dec. 24.**—Because of their alleged failure to respond promptly to an emergency call for an ambulance, William E. Hill, chief of police, and Captain John H. Brown, one of the oldest members of the police force, have been suspended by Mayor Chambers. The superintendent of a manufacturing plant telephoned for an ambulance when Tony Matzke, a laborer, was crushed by an 1800 pound weight yesterday. The superintendent alleges that the police officials refused to send the ambulance until it was found that a local undertaker's ambulance was busy on another case. Matzke died before the ambulance arrived.

**ST. LOUIS CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass 8:30 a. m.  
Processional.  
Biron's Orchestra.  
Puer Natus Es.....Capocci  
Kyrie.....Millard  
Gloria.....Millard  
Viderunt Omnes.....Gregorian  
Credo.....Millard  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Pastorale.....Lambillotte  
Miss Clemence Simard and Choir  
Agnus Dei.....Lambillotte  
Mrs. O. J. David  
Communion.....J. Falkenstein  
Recessional.  
Biron's Orchestra  
Soloists at mass: Miss Alice Pratte, Edouard Desrosiers, Adolphe Bouchard, Clemence Simard, Bernadette Fontaine, Arcelle Brunelle, Jules Morissette, Josephine Bourassa, Telephone Beauparlant.

**SOLEMN VESPERS 3 P. M.**  
Psalm: "In the Night"  
Hymn: "Jesus Redeemer"  
Magnificat  
Choir.  
Alma Redemptoris.....Wackenthaler  
Miss Bernadette Fontaine.  
Pans Angelicus.....Caesar Franc  
Miss Clemence Simard  
Ave Maria.....Millard  
Miss Alice Pratte  
Tantum Ergo.....Lambillotte  
Miss Clemence Simard, Miss Bernadette Fontaine, Messrs. Jules Morissette and O. J. David.  
Laudate, Choir.  
O. J. David, director and Miss Ida Monaghan, organist.

**NOTRE DAME DE LOURDES**  
Solemn High Mass 10:30 a. m.  
Puer Natus Es.....Gregorian  
Kyrie.....Rev. Turner  
Gloria.....Rev. Turner  
Qui Tollis, bass solo.....G. Perreault  
Viderunt Omnes.....Gregorian  
Credo.....Rev. Turner  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
Nato Nobis.....Van Reyschoot  
Edouard F. Gregoire and Choir  
Sanctus.....Rev. Turner  
Agnus Dei.....Rev. Turner

**ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH**  
Solemn High Mass, Rt. Rev. Henry Da Silva, Celebrant.  
11 A. M.  
Processional hymn: "O Little Babe"  
Introit: "Puer Natus"  
Sanctuary choir.  
Mass in Latin (Liturgy edition)  
Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei.....J. Hurmet  
Church choir.  
Graduale: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli".....J. B. Tresch  
Sanctuary choir.  
Motet: "Nobis Natus".....Van Reyschoot  
Church choir.  
Communion: "Viderunt Omnes".....Falkenstein  
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Offertory: "Tui Sunt Coeli"  
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Agnus Dei.....Falkenstein  
Church choir.  
Postlude, Coronation March, Meyerbeer  
VESPERS 7:30  
Prelude: "Gloria in Excelsis"  
Psalm: "In the Night"  
Magnificat

## GUNS THAT WILL DEFEND MEXICO CITY, YOUTHS PRESSED INTO SERVICE BY HUERTA



1-GENERAL INEZ SALAZAR 2-MEXICAN BOY SCOUTS 3-FEDERAL GUNS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—The federal forces have been strengthened here as preparatory to meeting the lack by the rebel troops under the two Zapatas and under General Villa. The artillery shown in the illustration was photographed at an arsenal here. The small guns, indicated by an arrow, are deadly dynamite guns. Even the youths are being pressed into service by Huerta, as indicated by the appearance of the Boy Scouts, who will be forced to aid the soldiers when the revolutionists attack the city. The war office has used the time since the last attack to strengthen the garrison at Tampico and professes confidence in its ability to resist the rebels. Two minor engagements have taken place between Tampico and Altamira, twenty-three miles to the north, and the federals, according to the war office, were victorious in both. It is also announced by the war office that General Inez Salazar has defeated the rebels between Conejos and Bermejillo, north of Torreon. Salazar has been ordered to execute all prisoners, whether officers or enlisted men.

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# Court Order Is Issued

## TO FORCE CITY GOVERNMENT TO BUILD HOSPITAL

Atty. Gen. Swift Moves to Compel  
Lowell to Establish Contagious Hos-  
pital—Writ Served on Treas. Stiles

Attorney General Swift has served a copy of the petition for writ of mandamus, filed in the supreme court yesterday against the city of Lowell, on City Treasurer Stiles. The attorney general seeks to compel the city of Lowell to establish and maintain a contagious disease hospital, and while the petition is pending in the supreme court, writs are being circulated in this city to prevent the municipal council from purchasing the site which the council yesterday voted to purchase.

The state board on Dec. 9, 1911, and Dec. 2, 1912, requested the city of Low-

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.  
Suffolk, ss.  
Supreme Judicial Court.  
James M. Swift, Attorney General.  
v.  
City of Lowell.  
James M. Swift, attorney general for and in behalf of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, informs the court that the city of Lowell, a municipal cor-

poration in Middlesex county in the commonwealth of Massachusetts, is a city subject to the provisions of section 35 of chapter 75 of the revised laws, as amended by chapter 151 of the acts of 1912.

That there does not exist in said city of Lowell, a hospital for the reception of persons having smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, tuberculosis or any other disease dangerous to the public health as defined by the state board of health of said commonwealth, which is satisfactory to said state board of health, and that no arrangement which is satisfactory to said board has been made.

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## NO SMOKING AT PLAYHOUSE

Com. Cummings Con-  
siders It a Danger to  
Public Safety

Asks Chairman of Li-  
cense Board to Pro-  
hibit the Habit There

Some men seem to think that half the pleasure in seeing a show is to be allowed to smoke while the entertainment is in session and just for that a great many men frequent theatres where smoking is allowed. Commissioner Lawrence Cummings is not a smoking man and he allows that men can enjoy a show without puffing away at their old duds, cigars or cigarettes. Besides being injurious to health the commissioner believes that more or less danger is attached to the practice of smoking in theatres and other public places.

Mr. Cummings, in company with the inspector of buildings, visited the Playhouse a day or two ago and as a consequence of his visit addressed the following communication to the chairman of the license board:

Lowell, Dec. 22, 1913.

Mr. John H. Mulvaney, Chairman of License Commission.

Dear Sir: In company with the inspector of public buildings, Mr. Frank A. Connor, I visited a number of theatres Saturday evening, Dec. 20. As a result we would recommend that smoking by patrons of the Playhouse, corner of Shattuck and Market streets, be stopped as we consider it a danger to the public safety of the city. Trusting the suggestion will receive your favorable consideration, I remain,

Sincerely yours,  
Lawrence Cummings,  
Commissioner of Public Property and Licenses.

## MOVE TO BLOCK PURCHASE OF DR. PILLSBURY SITE

Petitions Out for Signature for Refer-  
endum on Hospital Site—Andover St.  
Residents Mainly Behind Movement

Albert S. Howard who appeared for the remonstrants to the purchase of the Pillsbury estate for a contagious hospital site, at the hearing before the municipal council, yesterday, is endeavoring to make use of the referendum clause of the city charter.

Almost immediately after the municipal council voted yesterday afternoon to purchase the Pillsbury site, 300 petitions were put in circulation and Mr. Howard stated this forenoon that no difficulty was being experienced in obtaining signatures. The total num-

ber of signatures necessary is 2000, or 15 per cent. of the total votes cast for candidates for mayor at the last election. Besides endeavoring to make use of the referendum it was stated this afternoon that Mr. Howard would bring injunction proceedings and a bill in equity. It is stated that Mr. Howard would base his injunction proceedings on the grounds that the council had voted to pay an exorbitant price for the site in question, but it was not stated on what ground the bill in equity would be based.

Ten days are allowed to get the necessary number of signatures and

after the papers have been filed it is up to the city council. The council can reconsider its former action by which the particular site was purchased or the council may call a special election and place the question of that particular site on the official ballot to be used at such special election. It is also argued that the council can, if it chooses, allow the matter to go over to the next annual city election, but this is hardly borne out by section 81 of the charter, the referendum section. That part of the section

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## MAN SHOT IN THE EYE

Attempt on Life of Chicago At-  
torney by Alleged Quack Doctor  
Who Then Shot Himself

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—An attempt on the life of Charles Alling, Jr., former alderman and now attorney for the state board of health, was made today by an alleged quack medical practitioner, Frank Klimick, who then turned his pistol on himself. P. H. Schwaba, an assistant to Mr. Alling, was slightly wounded.

Alling was shot in the eye and lost consciousness. A physician who was called in could not tell whether the wound would prove fatal. Klimick will die, it was reported.

The shooting occurred in Alling's office in the presence of several clients and drew out of the prosecution of Klimick for practicing medicine without a license. The prosecution was instituted by the state board of health, represented by Alling and Schwaba as counsel. Klimick was fined \$200.

Today he called on Alling with reference to the case, asking that Alling try to get the fine reduced as Klimick says he was destitute and would have to serve out the fine in the workhouse. Alling replied that he would recommend that the fine be reduced to \$100.

"You don't need to do that," exclaimed Klimick, "because I have to go to jail anyway. I haven't got \$100."

Alling was about to reply when Klimick drew his pistol and fired. Schwaba rushed forward but was stunned for a moment by a second bullet which

grazed his head. Klimick then fired a bullet into his own left side.

The shooting occurred so suddenly that several clients who were in the office had no time to interfere. Alling staggered into an adjoining office, whence he was removed to St. Luke's hospital.

Alling recovered consciousness on the way to the hospital and surgeons there said he would live.

## STRIKE AT WORCESTER

GENERAL WALKOUT OF UNION CAR-  
PENTERS, LATHERS, IRON WORK-  
ERS AND ROOFERS

WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—A general strike of union carpenters, lathers, iron workers and roofers numbering almost 100 men was declared today on the nine new buildings that are being erected at the state colony for the insane at Grafton. The walkout was ordered by the building trades councils of Boston and Worcester out of sympathy for union steamfitters and electricians because sub contracts for doing this part of the work have been let by the general contractors to concerns that employ non-union help.

## Christmas Dinner and Dys-pep-lets

You may eat turkey dressing, plum pudding, mince pie, nuts and raisins, and other indigestible, so-called, and not experience any distress or discomfort, even if your stomach is weak, if you take Dys-pep-lets.

These tablets combine the best digestive, carminatives and correctives, and are giving great satisfaction in promptly relieving pain or uneasiness in the stomach, sour stomach, heartburn and nausea. They are not like ordinary dyspepsia remedies. Get a 10c, 25c or \$1 box of them today, so as to be sure to have them at hand tomorrow—Christmas. All druggists.

## WANTS \$6 A YEAR

Pound Keeper is Look-  
ing for an Increase in  
Salary

Orville W. Peabody has not succeeded in procuring a motor cycle to be used by him in the performance of his duties as pound keeper. He says that the basket on the ordinary machine is not large enough for his friend Shawl and rather than have any other assistant than his friend Shawl he would bid the pound keeper's job a fond good bye. "I have not been able to find a basket large enough for Shawl," said Mr. Peabody this afternoon, "and if I can't get a basket big enough I will probably buy a motor cycle minus the basket and equipment and attach a phaeton buggy to the motor cycle. If I get a high power machine I guess I can tow a buggy all right and it would be much more comfortable for Shawl."

"I intended to ask for an increase in salary but so many got in ahead of me that I am almost afraid to breathe the request. I want \$6 a year, not because of the sake of the increase, but just for convenience sake. I am getting \$5 a year at the present time and I have to employ an expert accountant to find out how much I am entitled to each week or each month. I want the fractions done away with and then I can reckon my own pay. Six dollars a year will mean fifty cents a month. That's plain division and that's as far as I go."

## HELD FOR GRAND JURY

QUINCY BOY CONFESSED THAT HE  
HAD SET FIRE TO SEVEN BUILD-  
INGS

QUINCY, Dec. 24.—Upon his confession in court today that he had set fire to seven buildings within two days, Herbert Whitaker, a 19-year-old boy, was held for the grand jury.

The youth's foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lyons, declare that he has had a mania for setting fires since he saw his father and mother perish in the flames that destroyed their home in New Hampshire eight years ago.

MOTHER KILLS DAUGHTER  
SOUTHPORT, Dec. 24.—Alice, the 11-year-old daughter of C. W. Whitney, a publisher of Boston, was accidentally shot and killed by her mother today. Mrs. Whitney had been shooting rats with a magazine rifle and as she was extracting shells from the gun one was discharged. The bullet entered the child's heart.

## MANY LIVES LOST

Mexican Rebels Recap-  
ture Torreon After  
Heavy Fighting

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FOR NEW YEAR HOLIDAY  
Representative Henri Aho, Jr., has filed a bill in the legislature to make New Year's day a legal holiday. It was defeated last year.

## ONLY A DAY

Left for those who have  
gifts to select.

We suggest to these  
people a selection from  
our electrical appliances.

Our store is filled with  
welcome Christmas gifts.

Lowell Electric Light Corp.  
50 Central Street

## ACQUITTED OF MURDER

JURY FREES WILLIAM E. KOCH  
AFTER DELIBERATING TWEN-  
TY-FOUR HOURS

RUTLAND, Vt., Dec. 24.—A verdict of "not guilty" was returned this afternoon in the case of William E. Koch, a wealthy farmer of West Haven who has been on trial in the Rutland county court for the alleged murder of Charles Gordon, a trapper of Whitehall, New York. The verdict was reached after more than 24 hours' deliberation.

Gordon was shot by Koch on Nov. 1. Koch's defense was that he acted in self protection.

NO APPOINTMENT YET  
It was rumored today that Mayor-elect Murphy had appointed his private secretary but the report is denied by Mr. Murphy who states that if he appoints a private secretary he will not make the appointment before inauguration day, Jan. 5.

## THE SUN

Noon edition is on sale  
by newsboys, at all news-  
stands and in the suburban  
towns every day at noon.

This edition will contain  
the latest local and tele-  
graphic news, as well as  
many special features of  
general interest.

## THE SUN

READ  
THE SUN  
NOON EDITION

For early news of the day.

## TO INSTALL OFFICERS

LOCAL GARMEN WILL HOLD SMOKE  
TALK TUESDAY, JAN. 13—FRED  
PAY TO SPEAK

The newly elected officers of the local carmen's union will be inducted into office on Tuesday evening, Jan. 13, and the installation exercises will be followed by a smoke talk. The committee in charge of the installation is making elaborate arrangements for the entertainment of the members for that evening and has extended invitations to many prominent men to attend. Among those expected are International Officer Fred Pay of Boston and Thomas Shine of Malden. Both are excellent speakers and familiar with railroad work.

Mr. Pay, it is expected, will tell of his recent appearance before the special arbitration board in Boston, when he denounced Gen. Hancock and urged better wages and conditions for the Boston L men. Other speakers will be present.





# AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER TEXTILE SCHOOL OFFICERS CHOSEN DRANK ALCOHOL CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE

## Of \$21,000 for Purchase of Hospital Site—The City Solicitor's Opinion is Given

When it was first announced by Finance Commissioner Brown, that there was money enough in the city treasury to purchase the Pillsbury estate for a contagious disease hospital site there was some difference of opinion among council members as to the legality of appropriating the money for such a purpose, the \$21,000 being the remainder of a \$100,000 loan of last year, the loan having been made to replenish the city treasury. Com. Cummings did not believe that the appropriation could be legally made and the city solicitor was asked for an opinion in the matter. He found that the transfer and appropriation made for the purchase of an isolation hospital is not made pursuant to section 32 of chapter 645 of the acts of 1911, but in line of general lawful municipal purposes. His opinion was as follows:

To the Municipal Council of the City of Lowell:

In reply to your request for an opinion relative to the legality of appropriating money for the purchase of an isolation hospital, the city solicitor submits to you the following, pursuant to chapter 613 of the acts of 1911:

Cities and towns are obliged under penalty to provide isolation hospitals, and in order to provide for same money must be forthcoming. The question is raised as to whether money raised by loan shall be transferred to another appropriation, not raised by loan. I know of no prohibition in the law that provides such a stipulation.

It is provided, however, in section 32 of chapter 645 of the acts of 1911, that at any time the unexpended balance of any sum appropriated for a specific purpose, and not further required for such purpose, may be transferred to another account by vote of the municipal council, but no money raised by loan shall be transferred to any appropriation from income or taxes.

That is not the condition we are met with here. The money appropriated for building an isolation hospital is not taken or transferred from any appropriation, raised either by loan or from an appropriation from income or taxes. The money so appropriated for the building of such hospital is appropriated and transferred from the general treasury fund, which is not an appropriation, but which is, according to section 2 of chapter 415 of the acts of 1896, the general account of the city's funds known as the general treasury fund.

Therefore, in my opinion, the transfer and appropriation made for the purchase of an isolation hospital is not made pursuant to section 32 of chapter 645 of the acts of 1911, but in line of general lawful municipal purposes.

Respectfully,  
J. Joseph Hennessy,  
City Solicitor.

## Prof. Olney to Return—Evening Classes Next Week

The students of the chemistry and diving departments of the Lowell Textile school will be pleased to learn that their old teacher, Professor Louis A. Olney, who has been ill for some time, will soon return to his post at the school. The professor, under advice of his physician, spent several months at his summer home in West Concord, N. H. During his absence his place was filled by Dr. Harold D. Smith, Ed. D.

The students of the school were dismissed yesterday afternoon, and the school will not reopen again until Jan. 5. The evening classes, however, will be held during the week of Dec. 23 in order to complete the evening term as quickly as possible.

The first practice of the hockey team will be held on Jan. 5 in the new hockey rink under construction in the football field. The candidates will be supplied with sticks and pucks and the practice will be very interesting.

## SANTA CLAUS DEAD

### MAN WHO IGNORED DOCTOR'S ORDER TO STAY IN BED, DIED HELD-ING-TOOTH

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 24.—Little Wilbur Harris, eight years old, son of a poor mother, who has his Santa Claus Christmas, but W. S. Harris, a philanthropist who came to Denver from Patterson, N. J., because he was suffering of tuberculosis and who made possible the salvation of the Christmas myth for little Wilbur, is dead.

His death came yesterday because he ignored his physician's order to remain in bed and walked several blocks through deep snow in the impoverished section of the city. He carried a sled, train of cars, clothes, rubbers, candy and many other presents for the destitute Harris family.

To heap kind words, through his interests in a local legion of "good fellows," W. S. Harris had in desperation told her little boy there was no Santa Claus.

Heap ennobled the role of Santa Claus and died.

## TO ORGANIZE FIREMEN

### CLEVELAND OF EAST BRIDGE WATER WANTS VOLUNTEERS FORMED INTO COMPANIES

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A resolve to organize all volunteer fire departments into companies has been filed by Representative Cleveland of East Bridge-water.

It provides that every volunteer department shall be organized into companies and the number of men in a company shall not exceed 25 men for each section engine, 35 for each engine, 20 for each hose wagon, 25 for each hook and ladder truck, 10 additional for officers, clerks, etc. New companies shall be authorized by the mayor of a city, or a vote taken at a town meeting. The officers of a company shall be a captain, a first lieutenant and a second lieutenant, and shall be elected by the members of the company for a term of one year.

Each volunteer department shall be under the direction of a fire chief, first assistant chief, and second assistant chief, who shall be elected by the officers of all companies in the department, for a term of three years, and no one shall be eligible for these offices unless they have served at least three years on a fire department.

## EDSON EVENING SCHOOL

Gave Fine Program of Christmas Exercises at the School Last Evening

A fine program of Christmas exercises was the attraction at the Edson evening school last night and a large audience was delighted with the entertainment. The program was as follows:

March; recitation, "The Night That Jesus Came," John Ferreira; Portuguese song, "Amadeu Freitas"; song, "My Killarney Home," John Connors; recitation, "Abon Ben Adhem," Boleslaw Shalowski; mandolin solo, Mauro Rapone; Italian song, "Dopo la Festa," accompanied by Louis Mouton; Christmas carols, Annie Mitchell, Mary Lima and Mary Corbary; mandolin and guitar selections, Manuel Rodriguez and John M. Ferreira; Lithuanian song, Paul Ginkarkis; mandolin duet, Mauro Rapone and Raffaele Brescia; Polish song, Peter Jazsik; mandolin's Gettysburg speech, Mary Gagega; recitation, "Winter's Treasures," Marion Herard; Portuguese song, "Chama de Mim," Christmas hymns, "Rock of Ages," song, "Dark, the Herald Angels Sing," room eight; America, school.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake followed the program and closed an evening of rare enjoyment.

## LEADER IN DENMARK

Death of Jacob S. Estrup, Formerly Foreign Minister in the Danish Cabinet

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 24.—The death occurred today of Jacob S. Estrup, a politician of Denmark and for 19 years, from 1875 to 1894, finance minister in the Danish cabinet. He was born on April 16, 1825, and entered Danish politics in 1854 as a member of the lower house.

Mr. Estrup did much in development of the Danish railroad system and for the planning of the splendid roads now to be found in Denmark.

An attempt to assassinate him was made on Oct. 21, 1885, and as this was believed to have been committed by a political opponent the parliament was dissolved the next day.

In 1900 Mr. Estrup was made a member of the upper house.

MRS. YOUNG VOTED BACK

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Ella Flegg Young was voted back into the superintendency of the Chicago public schools yesterday, after a stormy session of the board of education.

## Street Railway Men's Union Elected New Board for Ensuing Year

The election of officers of local division, 250, Street Railway Employees' union was held yesterday as announced in The Sun, the polls being opened from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. in order to give every employee a chance to cast his vote.

A meeting was held last night at 8 o'clock with President Fred Crowley

William Walker, a parole man from the New Hampshire state prison, was arrested by Officers Kennedy and Conside yesterday afternoon for drunkenness. He told the officers he had been drinking alcohol. Supt. Welch brought out the fact that Walker was arrested a few weeks ago in Lawrence. The defendant pleaded with the court for a fine instead of imprisonment and Judge Enright allowed him to spend Christmas in the open. He was fined \$6 and given a month to pay it.

James F. Magnon also received the benefit of Judge Enright's yuletide spirit. It was his third appearance but the court allowed him to go after he had promised to pay a fine of \$15.

Mary Dooley was sent to jail for one month for drunkenness and her husband was sent to the state farm. Both are old offenders.

## Face Smashed

Patrick Scully did not expect to be arrested last night when Officers John H. Clark and Drevett told him to come along to the box. Scully decided that he could handle both officers but from the appearance of his face this morning he made a very grave mistake.

Scully made trouble up around the depot before the officers arrested him. He attempted to shove a bell boy of one of the hotels down a flight of stairs and raised a rumpus in two of the Middlesex street restaurants. Judge Enright sent Scully to jail for thirty days.

All of this morning's cases which came up for the first time were simply drunken affairs, but there were several continued cases called today of a more serious nature.

The case of Charles Zelo, charged with the larceny of \$400 from Mary Toppe, was tried this morning. It was alleged by the police that the defendant stole the money from the complainant on the afternoon of Dec. 17.

The facts in the case as brought out this morning were that the defendant and complainant were in the latter's house on the day mentioned in the warrant. The woman had occasion to go to her trunk and extract some money to her trunk and the defendant had therefrom and the defendant had an opportunity to view the bankroll from which his mistress took the money. As soon as her back was turned, Zelo grabbed the money and made tracks for a liquor dispensary.

The complainant went to the trunk shortly afterward to get some more money and discovered that the roll of bills was gone. She immediately went to the police station and swore out a warrant for the defendant's arrest.

The defendant admitted that he took the money, but thought that he should be allowed a four months' probationary term within which he could make restitution. Judge Enright informed the man that it was not the policy of the Lowell police court to allow a self-confessed thief to make restitution for his crime and thus escape punishment for his offense. Zelo was sentenced to four months in the house of correction. Daniel J. Donahue, Esq., appeared for the prosecution.

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## FUNERAL NOTICE

FINNICK—The funeral of Michael Finn timer will take place Friday morning at 10 o'clock, at 19 Westford street at 9 o'clock. A solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

## GILL FIGHTS FOR LIFE

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A brave fight, though in the opinion of his physician a hopeless one, is being waged for life by Miss Helen Pond, a freshman at the Boston university, who was seriously and probably fatally burned at her home, 21 Bay State avenue, West Somerville, Monday noon, while she was fighting the gas range in the kitchen in preparation of luncheon.

Spent Christmas eve at Assoluto.

Who Lowell lodge of Elks is ever there with the helping hand. The Elks do not boast of their charity, but they keep the good work going all the time. Today and tomorrow they will send out Christmas dinner baskets, the lodge having raised \$300 for that purpose.

Mrs. Arthur Beaumont and her four children, formerly of this city and now of Salem, are the guests of relatives in Lowell.



## You Need Not Own

An old master to know what beauty is, for in the picture art today there are prints and reproductions of all the famous pictures at very reasonable prices. Our Art Department is filled with worthy reproductions and deserves your serious inspection.

PRINCE'S  
106-108 Merrimack St.

## Man From N. H. Arrested—Drunk Made Trouble at Depot

The Christmas festival will be observed in Lowell tomorrow by the closing of all industries and mills, as well as the places of business. This feast is more a church celebration, but nevertheless, the legislators of years ago deemed it advisable to enact a law making this day a legal holiday in order to give the people a better chance to observe the day in a suitable manner.

The cotton mills and other industries of this city close this evening to resume operations Friday morning, with the exception of the local plants of the Saco-Lowell shops, which will remain idle until Monday morning. The stores will all close and the postoffice will remain open from 8.30 to 10.30 a. m.

The carriers will make a trip in the forenoon, while those in the parcel post department will be busy all forenoon.

## Lowell Jail

The inmates of the Lowell jail will be given a real treat tomorrow, for exactly the same program which was received with so much favor on Thanksgiving day will be repeated tomorrow. There will be no special service in the forenoon, but at noon a real nice roast pork dinner will be served, including pies and other delicacies, and in the afternoon the prisoners will be given full liberty to amuse themselves from the hours of 1 to 4.

## Ayer Home

At the Ayer home in Pawtucket street special Christmas exercises will be held at 10 a. m. and following this will be the serving of a duplicate dinner of Thanksgiving day, including a delicious salad at the close of the repast. In the afternoon a Christmas tree will be held and at 5 o'clock the children will send their way to the Lowell church where a special service will be held. Upon their return to the institution they will be served ice cream and cake.

## St. Peter's Orphanage

The Christmas tree exercises will be held at St. Peter's orphanage in the afternoon under the auspices of St. Elizabeth's guild. In the morning the little girls will attend mass in a body and receive holy communion and at noon they will partake of a hearty turkey dinner with all fixings.

## French-American Orphanage

The children of the French-American orphanage, over 300, will attend mass in a body tomorrow morning and receive communion. At noon a turkey dinner will be served and in the afternoon games of all sorts will be enjoyed. In the evening Mrs. George L. Chase will hold her 40th annual Christmas tree and each child will be given a valuable gift. An entertainment program will be given by the little lots under the direction of the sisters in charge.

## Day Nursery

At the Day Nursery in Kirk street

## Business Suspended but Post-office Will be Open From 8.30 Till 10.30—The Institutions

about ten children will be treated to a chicken dinner tomorrow and in the afternoon games will be enjoyed. From 1 to 7 p. m. a Christmas tree will be held for about 40 little ones, who will receive toys and other gifts that will make their little hearts thump with joy. The mothers have been invited to attend and it is believed several will accept the cordial invitation. Ice cream and cake will be served.

## St. Anne's Church

There will be the usual Christmas exercises at St. Anne's church this evening at 7.30 o'clock, lasting 30 minutes, after which the church choir will sing Christmas carols on the porch of the church.

## St. Marie's Chapel

The cozy St. Marie's chapel in South Lowell will also have a Christmas observance tomorrow. A solemn high mass will be celebrated at 8.30 o'clock tomorrow morning, the officiating clergyman to be the pastor, Rev. Avile Amyot, O. M. I., who will be assisted by two Oblate brothers from the Tewksbury novitiate. The sermon will be delivered by the pastor.

## The Theatres

The Bunting club will have a game of soccer football in the afternoon while the theatres will be largely attended afternoon and evening.

## REV. DR. WUNDER DEAD

HE WAS A WONDERFUL MAN—BAPTIZED 17,250 BABIES AND MARRIED THOUSANDS

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Members of the congregation of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church are in mourning today for their pastor, the Rev. Henry Wunder, who died Monday after having officiated as minister pastor of the church for 42 Christmas services. Church records showed that Dr. Wunder baptized 17,250 babies, married 622 couples and officiated at 6356 funerals. His labors began ten years before the Civil war and when the great Chicago fire of 1871 burned down his church he preached on the street corner until the edifice was rebuilt.

## EX-MAYOR OF CINCINNATI WHO WILL SELL BASEBALL INTERESTS

Julius Fleischmann, ex-mayor of Cincinnati, long a baseball magnate, has decided to sell out his interests and devote all of his time to business, president of the club.

## TO SELL DEPOT

Property of Boston and Lowell R. R. May Be Sold

LAWRENCE, Dec. 24.—It is believed that in a short time the new directorate of the Boston and Maine railroad, will pass upon the sale for the sum of \$265,000 of the Boston and Lowell railroad property, bounded by Lawrence, Amesbury, Essex and Canal streets, which the city of Lawrence secured an option several months ago.

Mayor Scanlon has conferred with Engineer Shepard of the railroad in reference to the matter. The latter informed the mayor that for three weeks engineers of the railroad have been in this city preparing plans of the property involved in the sale, which includes the Opera House and old Boston and Lowell depot sites. These plans are being drawn to give the directorate an enlightenment on the proposed sale. A legal description will be prepared later jointly by City Solicitor Murphy and Attorney Thornton Alexander, representing the railroad. It is believed the sale will go through without any hitch, as the city is disposed to exercise its option. Originally the railroad wanted \$300,000 for the realty, which the city proposes to use in connection with the central bridge project.

## MRS. YOUNG WILL ACCEPT

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Although she did not receive the unanimous vote of the members of the board of education when she was reinstated yesterday as superintendent of Chicago schools by a vote of 13 to 7, Mrs. Ella Flegg Young will accept the reelection according to the understanding Mayor Harrison and Peter Reinberg, president of the board.

At the annual meeting of the board two weeks ago, Mrs. Young declined to stand for reelection after she was not chosen on the first ballot, saying she did not want the position unless she could have the divided support of the board members.

## U. S. ARMY CAPTAIN DEAD

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 24.—Captain Colwyn B. Hampton, U. S. A., retired, died here last night, aged 42 years. He was widely known as an army historian.

## CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

French poultry 6 pieces to a box, 25c. Fruit cakes and nut layer cakes made specially for that day. Native roast chicken, home made mince meat and plum pudding sold by the pint or quart.

Stop and look at the great display in our window.

To look at our goods is almost a meal itself.

Special Christmas Dinner will be served.

HAMILTON RESTAURANT  
Cor. Gorham and Middlesex sts.  
Telephone 1284

Don't forget that The Sun issues a noon edition containing all the latest local and telegraphic news.

MATTHEWS FOR DENCH  
BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Governor Foss has been in consultation with ex-Mayor Nathan Matthews over the vacancy on the supreme court bench which was declined by Dean Ezra Thayer of the Harvard Law school.

It was learned last night that the governor had actually offered the place to Mr. Matthews and that there is a reasonable prospect of his acceptance.

Everybody to Assoluto, tonight.

DIG MEN OUT OF RUINS STRIKERS PROTEST ROB ROOSTS AND COOPS

# AGAINST TROOPS

Amador Chalfix, of Lafayette street called at the police station this morning and reported the loss of 125 hens and 20 pigeons. He said that a combination hen and pigeon thief had entered his hennery and pigeon coops during the night and had made an almost clean sweep of fancy fowl and pigeons. It was suggested that perhaps the fellow was stacking up for Christmas and the man allowed if that were so the thief must run some big establishment. He thought that perhaps the hens, chickens and pigeons were taken away in an automobile as there were fresh marks made by an automobile in the street near the premises.

It was also reported at police headquarters this morning that a Gorham street restaurant had been broken into during the night and that the thieves got away with considerable money.

It was stated at the police station that no small number of reports had reached the station within the last few days relative to the nefarious work of sneak thieves and it was further stated that three young men were under suspicion.

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

In the noble gallery of "In Memoriam" Tennessee has placed no more beautiful picture than his exquisite impression of Christmas:

"The time draws near the birth of Christ.  
The moon is hid, the night is chill;  
The Christmas bells from hill to hill  
Answer each other in the mist."

Year after year this golden holiday, the foundation of which goes back to the dawn of Christianity, calls to the surface feelings of joy and happiness that are the foundation of all family relations, all loyalty to just government, all religious aspiration. The Christmas bells ring out their peals of exultant joy and as they answer each other over the hills of the world the joyous voices of the peoples of the nations blend with them in messages of Christmas hope and love and cheer. As once on the hills of Bethlehem the glory of heaven shone around some poor shepherds who were watching their flocks and the angels of God sent them to a lowly stable where a baby lay who should hold the world in thrall by chains of love, so again once a year a sudden heavenly light and harmony transfigure all things earthly and with the faith of the shepherds of Judea we go over in spirit to Bethlehem and become as little children before a scene that poets have sung in songs of ecstasy and master artists have painted, but which still stands unrivaled in the sublimity of its biblical simplicity.

Christmas time is a time of joyous merriment and in its annual celebration down the centuries the hearts of mankind have sought means to give external expression to the happiness that welled up within. Pagan usages and customs were adopted to Christian ritual. The mystic mistletoe that the druid priests cut in the starlight with their gleaming sickles took on a yuletide significance; the cheery warmth of the blazing fire was consecrated to the time by the Christmas log; music flowered out in tinkling Christmas carols; Nature gave its holly and ivy in vivid scarlet and green. Formality melted before the warmth of the time and there was plenty and good cheer in the Christian home before the casual visitor. The very cheerfulness of the winter time added greater zest to the family observance, and the colder the winds blew or the heavier the snows fell, the more cheery was the circle grouped around the fireside. Scott crystallizes this joyous spirit in three beautiful lines:

"Heap on more wood! the wind is chill,  
But, let it whistle as it will,  
We'll keep our Christmas merry still."

Christmas is one of the holidays that has stood out most bravely against time, the inconceivable. True, it no longer extends in its observance well into the new year as it did in the old days of childish faith, but though modified, all its observances still have a place in our civilization. Old Scrooge and a few of his relatives are among us yet, but practically all people are touched by the witchery of the time. The father bank president whose face has all the mysterious stolidity of his bankers on work days will carry home a rocking horse of immense proportions and submit to being jostled unmercifully by the driver of a coal team who has a train of cars and four other bundles. Fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, husbands, wives and sweethearts wear mysterious expressions for weeks and on Christmas day their reserve is explained by the gifts that spring out of carefully-planned hiding places. Older folks that have for days and wide-eyed wonderers of the generosity of Santa Claus find themselves all at once believing in the traditional benefactor.

Peace and good will to mankind were the gifts of the angels on the hills of Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago, and peace and good will are the qualities most needed in the world of today. This year the voices of war and the resounding cannon will not drown out the Christmas chiming and there may be time for the nations to ponder the lessons of international peace. In a smaller sense we can all practice good will. If we do so our Christmas will be merry, for to practice good will is to become good and "the good are always the merry." Let us then put a few last touches to the arrangement of our holly branches, get ready our gifts for the morrow, and prepare to say cheerily to all we meet: "Merry Christmas."

## THE PRESIDENT'S REPROOF

The sanest pronouncement on the episode of the Carabao club dinner that made President Wilson resign from the organization in protest is the recently published letter of the president to Secretaries Garrison and Daniels in which he requests the imposition of "a very serious reprimand" for the offenders, and gives his reasons for so requesting. The president was upheld in his action by the opinion of thoughtful people throughout the country, but quite a few pretended to see in it the leanings of the unduly solemn and the "amateur," wilfully blind to the fact that the president has always been immensely popular with

college and university students who are not usually attracted to things solemn, and that in his "amateur" way he has done more in Washington in one year than had been done for many years previously. As much of the criticism and burlesque of the dinner was aimed at the secretary of state it is to be expected that many would uphold the offending officers, for Secretary Bryan is more cordially hated and more persistently misrepresented than any other member of the administration.

The president's letter sets forth the offense so admirably and the features that made it especially obnoxious, that comment is unnecessary. Here are the first few paragraphs which state the case in a nutshell and which cannot be easily parodied by those superior beings who treat the administration so indulgently and patronizingly:

"The officers who were responsible for the program of the evening are certainly deserving of a very serious reprimand, which I hereby request be administered; and I cannot let myself of a feeling of great disappointment that the general body of officers assembled at the dinner should have greeted the carrying out of such a program with apparent indifference to the fact that it violated some of the most dignified and sacred traditions of the service."

"I am told that the songs and other amusements of the evening were intended and regarded as 'fun.' What are we to think of officers of the army and navy of the United States who think it 'fun' to bring their officers to parties in which they are sworn to serve with unquestioning loyalty. Into contempt? If this is their idea of 'fun' what is their idea of duty? If they do not hold their loyalty above all silly preferences of children, what about their profession? Do they hold it sacred?"

It is too bad that the censorship which the president legitimately holds over the "fun" of our army officers does not extend to some lines of private activity. No nation more recently resents adverse criticism abroad than America and no nation invites such criticism by open irreverence at home towards what all other countries hold most sacred.

## A SONG SWINDLE

In occasional court revelations the notes of the swindler are drawn in and the public stands agape at the multitude of the "suckers" that are caught by the different kinds of bait and the clever methods of their capture. One of the latest catches was exposed to view in New York recently when a swindler was sentenced for defrauding hundreds of aspiring poets and musicians throughout the country who had sent their compositions to the metropolitan fraud in expectation of reaping fame and fortune. The swindler who had advertised extensively and promised to work wonders had pocketed the sum enclosed with the manuscript, and that ended the transaction. If the finale of the swindle in the New York courts did not interfere with the progress of the impostor throughout the country it ought to have convinced the dupes that they should not invest money in any venture without being convinced of its authenticity and honesty.

Since the pure food laws and other such regulations have come into being, the government is doing wonders in uncovering the wiles of the swindler, but it seems that there is always a harvest of dishonestly-gained dollars being reaped by the clever trickster. The "appeal to song writers" game is not new and the most cursory examination of some magazines will reveal several kindred schemes to the wise. Some of the drink-cures and other nostrums that are so alluringly pictured are meant to bring illegal gain to their promoters instead of benefiting humanity, and while we have glib people who will believe all they read, we shall have victims of this variety of swindler. Besides the wrong those concerns do to their victims, there is also the wrong they do to legitimate business by the general distrust they create in the minds of those who discover the fraud. There is room for the strictest government regulation of publicly-advertised swindles, and the New York case proves that the authorities are awake to the danger they do. They ought to be stamped out mercilessly.

## DUE TO PARCEL POST

The spectacle of the express companies advertising for business and offering an incentive that they guarantee to deliver goods safely is something new and is directly traceable to the quickening influence of the parcel post which has brought the express companies into competition with Uncle Sam. In the good old times when the companies and the field all

to themselves there was little or no competition and the public had to accept the service given whether good or bad. The coming of the parcel post reduced the express rates and improved the service and with the development of the government idea, the advantages to the public will be still more pronounced. It is probable that the next important step will be government collection of articles as well as government delivery and when that comes the government will get control of most of the small express business of the country. Few improvements were so generally desired as the parcel post, and its approval is almost unanimous everywhere.

## THE MUNROE DOCTRINE

This wobbly old earth will have ceased to turn round on its axis when Colonel Theodore Roosevelt talks in a foreign country without stirring up a fuss. Diplomats of the old and new order can meet the most delicate situations and discuss them from all angles without causing international unrest but the strenuous hero of San Juan hill and Armageddon has a way of doing things all his own. In Italy, Egypt, Germany, England, and other places he poured waters of the troubled oil, and now we read that in Santiago de Chile he is upholding the Munroe doctrine in his best traditional manner. It seems, however, that the speech which has caused the agitation was submitted to the state department before its delivery, and approved, so that he is fully justified in his stand. The Munroe doctrine is being very widely discussed at the present time, and with the differing of opinion as to its application to Mexico it is not surprising that some Chilean diplomat should differ with the colonel. It is

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not reported whether a certain Gen. Huerta upholds Mr. Roosevelt or not.

REST FOR CLERKS  
Christmas morning must dawn brightly for postal clerks and store clerks who realize at that time that rest is all the more sweet when well earned. Both classes come pretty near being overworked during the days immediately preceding the festival, but there is compensation for their efforts in the reflection that they bring joy to others. May their holiday be all the happier for the strenuous time preceding.

ASSISTANT POSTMASTERS  
NEW BILL MAY EXEMPT THEM FROM CIVIL SERVICE PROTECTION

If the postoffice appropriation bill completed by the house committee on postoffices on Friday and to be reported immediately after the holiday recess taken by the national house of representatives, is passed without amendment, all assistant postmasters will be exempted from the civil service, and the position will be thrown back into the ring as a political plum.

The democrats of the committee voted to put into the measure a provision substantially similar to the one in the sundry civil bill, under which deputy collectors and deputy marshals were exempted from civil service.

Just before William H. Taft retired from the presidency the bill was passed, placing the assistant postmasters under the protection of the civil service. This left the appointees of the republic postmasters reasonably sure of their positions.

GUNMAN CAPTURED  
BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Audie Blaggio, 40, of Bowdoin street, Beverly, tore through the streets of the North End last night with a smoking revolver in his hand.

It seemed that the Beverly man, while at the corner of Cross and Hanover streets, selected Michael Lepore as a target, but his shots went wild. The Beverly man was fleeing from an angry crowd when the officer braggied him.

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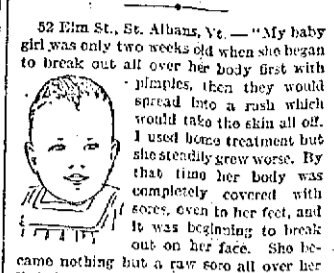
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IT'S ABOUT TIME  
Manufacturers Unite in Effort to Wipe Out Improper Trade Practices

The following resolution was passed by the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers at its annual meeting, Dec. 2:

"Resolved, that the president of this association be authorized to appoint one representative to act with three other representatives representing the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, the National Association of Worsted Manufacturers, and the American Cotton Manufacturers Association, who shall constitute a committee for the purpose of suppressing and preventing trading bribery and improper trade practices in the sale of mill supplies."

Similar action has now been taken by two of the associations referred to. The National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, through its president, Edwin Farmanham Greene, with the approval of its executive committee, has appointed as its representative W. A. Mitchell, agent of the Massachusetts mills in Lowell.

This is one of the largest mills making colored goods and Mr. Mitchell has been working in harmony with the present government since its inception. Stuart W. Cramer, president of the American Association of Cotton Manufacturers, has appointed Oscar Cone of the Carolina Mills Co., Greensboro, N. C., as its representative in the investigation of colored goods and in the distributing house of the Cone Export and Commission Co., Mr. Cone is one of the most active and respected men in the south.

John P. Wood, president of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, is in entire sympathy with the movement and will recommend to his executive committee at their approaching meeting in January that they join with the other associations.

The American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers has designated as their representative A. M. Patterson, president of the Waterloo Woolen Mfg. Co., who has been chairman of the association's dye-stuff committee.

The dye stuff trade is entirely in the hands of foreign manufacturers, whose agents have brought with them the methods developed in Eastern Europe and Russia. Practices are said to have become so nearly universal in this country that only a strong organization can hope to fight equal terms. The four textile associations which are now cooperating are entirely adequate for the purpose, including in their membership nearly every cotton, woolen and worsted mill of standing, whether large or small, in the north or south.

With the cooperation of the portion of the dye stuff trade which believes in fair dealing, the men will receive the work that is now centered in Philadelphia to New England and the southern states, for which purpose ample funds are at its disposal. The committee will also continue to assist in the prosecution of the large number of suits brought under the auspices of the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers, and will have the advice of its counsel as well as the benefit of the mass of evidence already accumulated.

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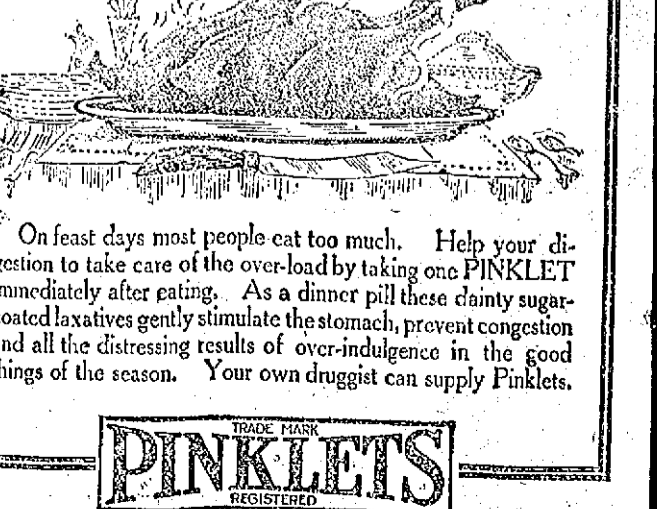
Christmas day is the day of days and many of the other clubs throughout the city will probably follow with like observances.

The affair will be held under the direction of the members of the Glee club and all who have any knowledge of the entertaining ability of this club feel assured that there will be plenty of fun and enjoyment.

The hall will be decorated with Christmas colors, wreaths, etc., and a beautiful tree will be placed in the center of the room containing presents for the members and their friends. The committee in charge is comprised of Messrs. Clark, O'Connor, and Heslan.

At the industrial home of the Salvation Army Christmas noon a dinner will be served by a Christmas tree of the day stuff trade which believes in fair dealing. The men will receive the work that is now centered in Philadelphia to New England and the southern states, for which purpose ample funds are at its disposal. The committee will also continue to assist in the prosecution of the large number of suits brought under the auspices of the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers, and will have the advice of its counsel as well as the benefit of the mass of evidence already accumulated.

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